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U.S. Willing to Talk **To Russians About Defensive Weapons**

By Bernard Gwertzman New York Times Service

WASHINGTON - A senior Reagan administration official has said that the United States would be willing to negotiate its missile defense plan along with seeking cuts in offensive weapons systems when arms talks with the Soviet

Union resume next month.

He also said that Secretary of State George P. Shultz would be authorized to affirm to Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko that the United States would be ready to consider "measures of restraint" in testing the anti-satellite weapons now under development.

The official, as well as Mr. Shulzz in a separate briefing for members of Congress Thursday, stressed that the United States was approaching the negotiations as a comprehensive package with the goal of seeking stability in Soviet and U.S. military strength through trade-offs in the various weapons.

Until Thursday, American offi-rials had said they hoped the Geneva talks would lead to negotiations on strategic offensive arms and medium-range offensive missiles, along with "discussions" on the administration's long-term research plans for a defensive shield against missiles. This had led to uncertainty about whether the administration would be willing to include any curbs on defensive weapons when the talks resume.

The senior official said Thursday that the administration would, in fact, make its space weapons program subject to negotiation.

For the first time since the announcement on Nov. 22 of the Shultz-Gromyko talks in Geneva Jan. 7-8, a long briefing was held for reporters to provide some infor-mation on the work that has been going on in recent weeks to prepare

the U.S. position.

The official's remarks seemed aimed at indicating to the Soviet Union, U.S. allies and public opinioo that the Reagan administration, despite continuing internal differences, was approaching the Geneva talks in what he called a "serious, flexible and constructive"

and concepts which we think hold promise for bridging gaps which existed heretofore," the official said. He added that the United States was continuing to stress reducing the size of each side's offensive nuclear arsenal, but also was ready to negotiate on the research program for defensive weapons as

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We are ready in going to Geneva to exchange thoughts on these ideas," he said, "hopefully to receive some from the Soviet Union, and we hope to come away with an agreed plan for the early renewal of formal dialogue and negotiations

in each of these areas." The main goal of the Geneva talks is to set up a format for continuing the occotiations in a de-tailed way in three major areas strategic offensive arms, mediumrange missiles and defensive weapons. The official said the United States was flexible on the eventual

format. The most contentious issue facing the arms control talks are the two programs that the Soviet Union says must be given priority. The first is the current U.S. plan for testing a weapon that could knock out satellites in space. New tests of this system are due to take place this winter. The second is the expensive, long-term research program to develop a defense aga missiles aimed at the United States

and its allies. et Politburo member who has been visiting London this need to emphasized that the American defensive weapons could upset the

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Guatemala is rushing work on its network of strategic hamlets to hreak rebel links to the Indi-

Page 3. lead to a orgotiated agreement on an population. security guarantees in southern Lebanon and allow them to avoid In Singapore's election, the main question is whether Prime Minister Lee's party will win every Parliament seat. Page 4. choosing from among other less palatable options.

The Vietnamese town of Ben Suc, destroyed 18 years ago by U.S. troops, has been rebuilt, but wounds remain. Page 5.

ARTS/LEISURE

E A Leonardo madonna rarely seen outside the Soviet Union is on display in Florence. Page 8. **BUSINESS/FINANCE**

■ Orders for durable goods rose 8.3 percent in the United States in November, the most in Page 9. four years.

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Scientists continue to find that meat eating is connected to cancer, but they also have found that meats seem to contain anticancer agents.

nuclear balance and lead to intensi-fied Soviet spending on offensive

State Department officials are known to believe that the defensive programs ought to be pursued but should also be offered eventually as a trade-off for sharp Soviet cuts in the multi-warhead "heavy" land-based missiles that Washington planners say give Moscow an of-fensive advantage. The State De-partment also favors negotiating an early accord that might include a moratorium on testing of the antisatellite weapons as a way of get-ting the talks moving.

The senior official Thursday

seemed to support the State Department view, but argued as well for pursuing the research program (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)



Ethiopia: Images of Famine

At a refugee camp at Korem, a mother and child too weak to stand huddle under a blanket. They are among the victims of the famine that is killing thousands daily. Despite major relief efforts, officials say as many as six million people are in dire need of food. A page of pictures, Page 7.

Libya-Spain Summit Focused on African Questions

By Edward Schumacher New York Times Service MADRID - Colonel Mosmer

this week dealt mostly with devel-opments in oorthwest Africa. At a separate news conference,

Qadhafi, the Libyan leader, has Mr. González acknowledged said that a meeting he had with Thursday that the United States Prime Minister Felipe González would probably be critical of the



end the southern Lebanon occupa-

where the Israeli Army poses a

Such a course, which many here consider the most likely if the nego-

tiations fail, would probably re-

duce casualties and the cost of the

end to Israel's direct involvement

Israeli Options on Lebanon Limited as Talks Drag

Colonel Moamer Qualitati at press conference in Majorca. ternational scene, has not been not- from the country.

Washington Post Service tion.

JERUSALEM — Israel has been • To pull back partially in some

left with a number of unattractive areas of southern Lebanon, while

choices in the negotiations over maintaining the present positions

ending or reducing its military oc- in the eastern sector of the country,

sion of the negotiations ended has drawn up ounerous options for Thursday with no sign of progress.

After the meeting at the United officials describe as a "semi-permanations's southern Lebanon bead-

quarters in the border town of Na- Israelis would wait until Lebanon

qonra, Brigadier General Amos and Syria agreed to negotiate a Gilboa, issued a statement threat-complete withdrawal.

The 12th and possibly last ses- threat to Syria. The military here

By Edward Walsh

cupation of southern Lebanon.

ening to break off the negotiations

before their scheduled resumption

on Jan. 7 if Lebanon does oot reply

positively to Israel's proposals.

General Gilboa is the head of the

Israeli military delegation to the

For the last few weeks, Israeli

officials, including Prime Minister

Shimon Peres, have been threaten-

ing to abandon the talks and take

"unilateral steps" to secure Israel's oorthern border. The threats.

which have never included an out-

right ultimatum, were in part tacti-

cal in nature, an attempt to break what the Israelis describe as Leba-

non's intransigence in the negotia-

stem from frustration among Israe-li officials, who had hoped that the

Naqoura talks, assisted by U.S. di-plomacy in the Middle East, would

Israel's problem in southern

Lebanon remains what it has been

for more than two years: How to

end the costly occupation of the

territory while guaranteeing the

safety of Israel's northern commu-

nities, which was the announced

purpose of the June 1982 invasion.

reached at Naçoura, and Israeli officials are increasingly pessimistic

that they will be, the most frequent-

ly discussed other options con-

This would leave the army with the

task of policing a large and hostile

Party ministers in the oational uni-

fronting Israel include:

If those two goals are not

But the threats also appear to

secretly planned meeting, which ed for his friendship with Spain took place on the Spanish resort and his presence on our soil is as-

island of Majorca on Wednesday. The meeting followed similar ones that Colonel Qadhafi has had recently with President François Mitterrand of France and Prime Minister Andreas Papandreon of Greece, partly breaking what had been a U.S.-led international isolation of the Libyan leader for purportedly sponsoring international

This week Cambio 16, a leading Spanish newsweekly, reported that Libya had recently given Spanish Basque separatists \$900,000 and that Mr. González has known about the financing for the last month. Colonel Qadhafi denied any support of terrorists while Mr. González said the subject had not been raised at the meeting. He added that the Libyan leader had promised not to interfere in Spansh internal affairs.

Austrian chancellor. -

private, not official, one. But the reported from Mindrid. rightist Spanish opposition, Popu-

controversial character on the in-

from the Likud bloc's half of the

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probably from some Labor Party

lt was the previous Likud-led

government that laimched the war,

the goal of securing the northern

border, was strongly supported by

The differences in the govern-

ment were illustrated this week

when Mr. Peres, in a published in-

occupation, but would bring no terview, said he favored a complete never resolved its internal differ-

the Labor Party.

which, so long as it was confined to

Colonel Qadhafi added to the anger Thursday by warning that two Spanish enclaves in North Af-rica, Ceuta and Melilla, were "Arab" and by criticizing Spain's moves to stay in the North Atlantie Treaty Organization as "entering a zone of hell."

Reflecting historic Spanish pre-occupation with northwest Africa. which lies just across the Strait of Gibraltar from Spain, Mr. Gonzalez said that in the meeting he had focused on the recent part between the Hall of Columns, where lead-Libya and Morocco. Spanish strategists fear the two countries might team up against the two enclaves.

"I was sure and have now confirmed that the pact does not affect the interest of Spain," Mr. Gonzá-

The meeting was arranged [Spain's foreign minister, Ferthrough Bruno Kreisky, the former nando Morán, said Friday that Spain would demand an explana-Colonel Qadhafi requested the tion from Libya over Colonel Qametring, a wirding to Spanish officials, who insisted that it was a lilla. The Arab feithes, Reuters tion from Libya over Colonel Qa-

At his news conference, Colonel n editorials Thursday morning. be said about charges that the Liby-Calling for a report to Parlia-ans had not lived up to a recent ment, El Pais wrote, "Qadhafi is a agreement with France on the mutual withdrawal of their troops

The interview promoted an im-

mediate call to Mr. Peres from the

Likud leader, Yitzhak Shamir, the

government's foreign minister and

vice prime minister. According to Mr. Shamir, Mr. Peres assured him

that he still was committed to

achieving security guarantees in southern Lebanon before a com-

As this exchange illustrated, the

three-month-old government has

ences over policy in Lebanon, In-

plete troop withdrawal.

To withdraw to the interna- ing back to the international border

tional border, sacrificing the goal - in other words in favor of a full

of security guarantees to the imper-anive of getting the troops out of Mr. Peres told the newspaper Lebanon. This course, however, Ha'aretz. "I am not in favor of would run into ficroe resistance halfway moves and interim solu-

Marshal Ustinov Is Dead; A Key Politburo Figure

MOSCOW - Dmitri F. Ustinov, 76, the Soviet defense minister and one of the most powerful members of the ruling Politburo, has died, the official news agency

Tass announced Friday.
Tass said that Marshal Ustinov died Thursday after "a grave ill-

Ustinov directed the Soviet military buildup and was a key political figure. Obituary, Page S.

ness." It said be died from complicarions following pneumonia de-veloped in October.

The news agency said that Grigori V. Romanov, another leading member of the Polithuro, was named chairman of Marshal Ustinov's funeral commission — a post that usually goes to the man named to succeed a deceased official. But there was no final announce

ment of a successor. The first official news of Marshal Ustinov's death came from Mikhail S. Gorbachov, widely believed to be the No. 2 man in the Krembin, as

he cot short a weeklong visit to Britain a day early.

"We have had a great and tragic loss," Mr. Gorbachov said at a news conference in Edinburgh before leaving Scotland. "The minis-

ter of defense, our old friend and comrade. Dmitri Fyodorovich Ustinov, has passed away." The first indication that a senior member of the Soviet leadership had died came earlier Friday when a scheduled world chess championship match between Anatoli Kar-

pov, the champion, and Gary Ka-sparov was postponed. The match was to be played in the Hall of Columns, where leademployee at the building told reporters that the hall was occided

because the defense minister bad

ry of the Soviet republic of Turkmenistan. The death ootice was the second item. A black-and-red bor-dered picture of Marshal Ustinov in full uniform was displayed while an atmoorter read the cotice.

nenko and other Communist Party lar Alliance, called the meeting shameful and most of Spain's leading newspapers expressed outrage in editorials Thursday morning.

At his news contacting, contacting contacting needs and other comments and will concentrate on comments and other comments and o Union and the Soviet state."
"Dmitri Ustinov lived a vivid,

Washington Navy Yard.



Dmitri F. Ustinov

the national economy. He held senior posts in central bodies of the party and the state, was one of the major organizers of the armed forces of the U.S.S.R."

East European sources said Marshal Ustinov would be given a state funeral in Red Square on Monday.

Marshal Ustinov had not been seen in public since the end of September and was reported to be seriously ill, although details of his illness were not known.

Marshal Ustinov was never coo-

Marshal Ustinov combined the important defense post with the party authority concomitant with his membership of the ruling Politbu-

The current Politbure, which Mr. Chernenko inherited from President Yuri V. Andropov, has 11 full members and six candidate members. The candidate members

do not have voting rights.
Through three Communist Party Central Committee plenums, Mr. Chernenko has not altered the membership, preferring not to dis-turb the balance between differing tendencies, according to Western

Marshal Ustinov was part of the old guard of conservative leaders Prime Minister Nikolai A, Tik-honov, 79, Foreign Minister Andrei A. Gromyko, 75, and Mr. Cher-

Mr. Romanov, the most likely successor, is a former chief of Leaingrad, the Soviet Union's second city, In the West, he is considered a possible successor to President Chernenko, just bebind Mr. Gor-bachov. If he does take over the Defense Ministry, this would probably dash his chances of eventually becoming president, in the view of

some experts, Experts said that Mr. Romanov, had the appropriate defense-related experiences as Leningrad is a prime site for military factories,

Should Moscow wish to choose a soldier, the expens said the main contender would be Sergei L. Sokosidered a serious contender for the lov, 73, who had deputized most leadership of the Soviet Communist Party but was viewed as a pow-erful figure behind the scenes, months ago. (AP, AFP, Reuters)

Senior Kremlin Official The main Soviet evening television news program Vremya began with a report on the 60th anniversation of the Soulet republic of Their

By John F. Burns New York Times Service BELIING - China received its

The official obituary, signed by hipov, a vice prime minister and President Konstantin U. Cheralternate Polithuro member, arthe old airport terminal here where

vice prime minister, who, like Mr. glorious life," the obituary said. Arkhipov, specializes in economie The party assigned him important matters. As the Russian descended sections of state construction, of from the Tu-154 airliner that car-

U.S. Military Team Bombed on Vodka

After Soviet Package Got a Sniff Test

Commander Vladimir Antsiferov, an aide to Rear Admiral Ivan P.

Admiral Lyons, as U.S. representative on a panel set up to resolve

disputes at sea between the two navies, had developed friendships

with his Soviet counterparts. He said the vodka was probably a gift

Sakulkin, the Soviet naval attaché here.

ried him from Moscow, they shook hands. Then, oo what appeared to be Mr. Yao's initiative, they emhighest-ranking Soviet visitor in 15 braced in the manner common years on Friday Waeri Ivao V. Age. - among Communist officials.

rived for talks that both sides have Zhou En-lai met in September 1969 with Alexei N. Kosygin, the Soviet prime minister at the time. That brief meeting, an attempt to defuse border tensions between China and the Soviet Union, proved be the last time for a decade and a half that the two governments would agree to meet at a top ministerial

Exceptions occurred during the funerals of Leonid 1. Brezhnev and Yuri V. Andropov in Moscow. when the leaders of the Chinese delegations were received for brief discussions in the Kremlin, Otherwise, the most senior contacts have

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WASHINGTON - As darkness fell, a stranger with a Russian accent delivered a carefully wrapped package to the gatchouse of the As the man left Wednesday evening, wary guards subjected the package to inspection by bomb-sniffing dogs, who signaled that the Fed Reduces contents were "hot." An X-ray machine revealed "two fiquid-tilled canisters," according to an invesogative report. **Discount Rate** The 67th Explosive Ordnance Disposal team of the Military District of Washington, summoned to the scene, did the caotious thingtrict of Washington, summoned to the scene, did the caotions thing— they blew up the package with "a small explosive device." Upon examining the remains, the soldiers discovered that they had detonated two bottles of the Soviet Union's finest vodka. "Good stuff, too," Vice Admiral James A. Lyons said wistfully Thursday afternoon. The gift had been intended for him. An investigation revealed that the delivery man was Lieutenant

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatche WASHINGTON — The Federal Reserve Board, moving again to stimulate economic growth, low-ered its benchmark lending rate to banks and other financial institutions on Friday to 8 percent -- the

By Half Point

lowest level in six years. The drop of one-half percentage point marked the second time in four weeks that the closely watched discount rate has been cut by the Fed. On Nov. 21, the Fed lowered it to 8.5 percent from 9 percent. The discount rate is what the Fed

charges commercial hanks for routine amounts to balance their books. The rate is not directly linked to the prime rate of commercial banks, which this week established itself at 10% percent - the lowest in 17 months. But it is considered to be a strong benchmark. Wall Street believes the Fed sets

points lower than where it feels the prime should be The trend toward lower rates al-

yield of the government's weekly Treasury bills. The decline to 7.75 percent for three-month hills and to 8.15 percent for six-month bills was part of a nearly uninterrupted 16-week string of decreases.
The Fed has been actively en-

couraging the downward drift of in the view of most analysts. The lowering of the discount rate confirms that the trend is long term, not just a short-term technical adrustment. So far this year, consumer inter-

est rates, especially credit card rates, have shown almost no tendency to follow the prime rate down. But mortgage rates have slipped about 2 percentage points since late summer, promising a resurgence of interest-sensitive house

"I am in favor of the army pull-(Continued on Page 2, Col. 7)

By John Vinocur New York Times Service

PARIS — Avenue Victor Hugo runs from the Arc de Triomphe to the Bois de Boulogne. It is a straight, affinent mile and the main thoroughfare of the 16th arrondissement, the city's borough of domesticized cash. Made elsewhere money in Paris has a way of coming home to the 16th.

The street is full of convenience stores — Saint Laurent Rive Gauche, Courrèges, Daniel Hechter, Charles Jourdan,

Guy Laroche, Céline. Before Christmas, Avenue Victor Hugo teems with spenders. This year too beggars are there, sitting on the sidewalk, their backs against the great oak doors of the bourgeois apartment buildings interspaced between the shops. A man, squatting, head down, has placed a little sign next to his spot between Saint Laurent Rive Ganche and Georges Rech, a

dress shop. It says: "Leave a coin so I can eat." The beggars at luxury's rim are not new. For years Parisians have known the old woman, dressed in brown, who panhandles in front of Hermès, and the lady-in-the-tweed-coat who bangs on car windows and asks for "a little something" at the stoplight outside Fauchon. The difference this winter is that people are talking about the beggars, the

The Salvation Army reactivated its mobile soup truck two years ago. But the new poor didn't enter the city's conversational conscience until the past month or two. At a recent dinner in one of the 16th's comfortable dining

rooms, a woman tells of seeing eight on Avenue Victor Hugo To stand par, keeping the Israeli Army along its present line on the Awali River north of Sidon. on a recent Saturday. The discussion quickly turns to whose fault it is.

One man asks where exactly the beggars were on Avenue Victor Hugo and then coted that Victor Hugo died at No. area. It also would mean a failure 124 on the avenue given his name. It will be the centenary of for Mr. Peres, Defense Minister his death in 1985.
Yitzhak Rabin and other Labor When he was in When he was in school in the 1950s and 1960s, the dinner

No one had talked much about the Abbé Pierre in something like 30 years. But there he is, resuscitated from another

remarkably successful charity drive for the impoverished in 1954, now looks out at the world from great orange bill-boards, from posters oo the side of trucks, from magazine

His return relates to the Socialist government's realization

this fall that there are 25,000 homeless in the Paris area and bundreds of thousands more slipping below the poverty level nationally because their French unemployment insurance has run out. The phrase the "new poor" was born, not a comfortable one for the government because it suggests

Prime Minister Laurent Fabius moved preemptively, talking about the problem. He said he had discussed it with the

Like the people at dinner, who spbt left and right, both sides seemed to try to appropriate the bearded priest. France-Soir, a ocwspaper owned by Robert Hersant, the conservative publisher whose name makes Socialists snart, put up the billboards and started a collection campaign with

Le Nouvel Observateur, o leftist weekly, was oot about to guest said, his younger teachers talked of Hugo with just a give ground. It published an article called 'The Abbé Pierre ty government who have pledged to trace of contempt: 100 sentimental, too messianic, too arch. accuses the nouveaux riches.

all the violence. At night, in your beautiful homes, when you embrace your children with your conscience in the clear, wby, in the eyes of God you've got more blood on your hands than the man who takes up arms to break away from his The abbe himself tried to steer clear of playing referee.

What he has sought to do is set up a food bank, where supplies would be available for anyone who is bungry. Last month, he rented a convention half and preached the virtues the discount rate about two or three of charity for two and a half hours. Alas, the newspapers said, the harvest from what the abbe calls "an insurrection of goodness" was distressingly thin. The politicization of the new poor and Abbe Pierre speaks ready was well established, as re-

profoundly of the mood in the country as it edges closer to flected in the drop Friday in the 1986 and national elections: People talk of a clerk in a post office who made them wait as a "hopeless left-wing type," or of a taxi driver who cuts in front of their car as "fascist, a little Le Pen," referring to Jean-Marie Le Pen, the leader of the extreme right National Front. In this way, the beggars on the Avenue Victor Hugo become a party problem and less the responsibility or the concern of all of the French.

In another place or time, it is conceivable that preparations for a centenary year for a writer like Victor Hugo could interest rates for the last six weeks. escape the clutch of politics. Then it might be enough to say he was a remarkable poet and a man who felt deeply for the bumble, the bumiliated, the weak. It is clear now that this alone will be insufficient.

Louis Mermaz, the Socialist president of the National Assembly, recently said that Victor Hugo "is and will remain part of the left." Not for Jacques Chirac, the Gaullist mayor of Paris, who

won 60 percent of the vote in the district alongside Avenue Victor Hugo.
"He could have been a Gaullist," Mr. Chirac said. "The greatness of France, the consciousness of the special genius

of the French, the cult of freedom." These Gaullist values could not be foreign to Victor and auto purchases early next year.

France's New Poor Are Discovered at Luxury's Rim "I hadn't thought of him in 20 years," he said. "Now I may take out 'Les Misérables."

The phrase the "new poor" is not a comfortable one for the government because it suggests these poor were not there before.

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Abbé Pierre. Suddenly, Abbé Pierre was everywhere.

the "participation of the Abbe Pierre."

The Associated Press

LONDON - Two oil tankers, the Norwegian-owned Thorshavet and a Liberian-registered vessel, were reported hit by missiles Friday in the Gulf.

Shipping officials in Oslo said the Thorshavet was set ablaze. Lloyd's of London said two seamen were killed aboard the Liberian

Iraq reported that its fighter planes raided two "large naval targets" near Iran's Kharg Island oil terminal and that the attacks were "in line with our determination to tighten the blockade imposed on Kharg Island and other Iranian ports in the exclusino zone of war

It declared the blockade in February in an effort to cut Iran's oil export income. Iran and Iraq have been at war since September 1980. There bave been 61 confirmed attacks on oil tankers and bulk carriers by Iranian or Iraqi fighters in the Gulf since the start of this year. Iraq's announcement, made by a military spokesman in Baghdad, said the planes "scored direct hits"

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oo two "large naval targets." Gulf shipping sources said the Norwegian vessel was struck by a French-made Exocet missile at about midday, setting it afire. The sources said the vessel had just finished taking on a full load of Irani-

an crude oil at Kharg Island. Lloyd's shipping iotelligence unit determined that the attack took place about 60 miles (97 kilometers) south of Kharg Island. It could ont say whether there were

The ship had left Singapore on Dec. 2 for the Gulf, the sources said. Arve Stranden, a spokesman for the Norwegian Shipowners Association, said there were 26 or 27 crew members aboard the 114,099ton ship, 19 Norwegians and the rest Spaniards.

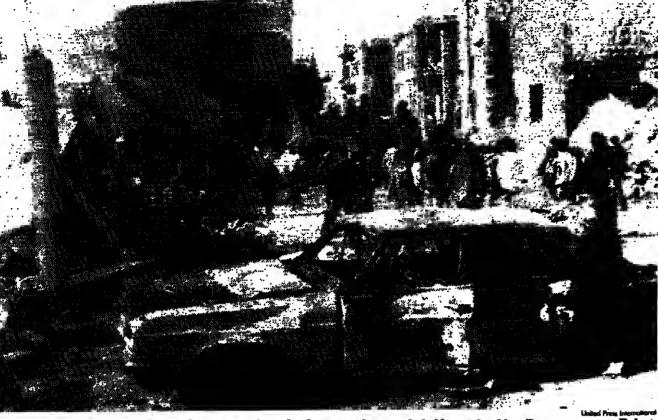
Mr. Stranden quoted the owner, Thor Dahls Rederi of Sandefjord, Norway, as saying that 24 crew members abandooed ship because of the fire, leaving twn men aboard. The owners later said the crew were returning to the ship-

Lloyd's, which monitors shipping movements around the world. said the crew of the 52,661-ton Liberian tanker Magnnlia had abandoned ship.

U.S. Judge Rules Deaths **Due to Weather Forecast** The Associated Press

deaths of three fishermen lost at sea four years ago when forecasters failed to predict a fierce storm.

eral agency oegligently failed for bring their forces in Afghanistan more than three mooths to maintain a weather buoy that could have said, they "have very little to show provided an accurate forecast for militarily" and, "in fact, may have the Georges Bank fishing grounds. lost some ground."



Crowds gathered Friday to survey the damage after a booby-trapped car exploded by a school in a Druze town near Beirut.

Israeli Options on Lebanon Limited as Talks Drag

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stead, the government opted this fall to make one more try at direct military negotiations with the Lebanese and indirect contacts with the Syrians.

The Israelis stripped their demands down to what they considered the bare minimum. They no longer insisted, as they had in the earlier negotiations that led to the defunct May 17, 1983, troop with-

U.S. Official Says In Afghanistan

New York Times Service

WASHINGTON — A high-level State Department official says be sees no end to the stalemate between guerrillas and Soviet forces in Afghanistan unless the Soviet Union agrees to negotiate a with-

The official, Michael H. Armacost, the undersecretary of state for political affairs, said Thursday that five years after Soviet troops joined the fighting, the guerrilla resistance was causing "a protracted, bloody, savage and ultimately inconclusive

In keeping with U.S. policy, Mr. Armacost refused to answer questions about aid to the guerrilla

BOSTON — A U.S. district judge ruled Friday that the U.S. a negotiated withdrawal. "Our na-National Oceanic and Atmospher-tinnal interests," he said, "are not ic Administration is liable for the served by simply keeping the Soviets tied down in Afghanistan.

our years ago when forecasters alled to predict a fierce storm.

Judge Joseph Tauro said the fedan additional 10,000 troops to up to 115,000. In spite of this, he

drawal be accompanied by a Syrian pullout from Lebanon.

Acknowledging that the Syrians held the key to Lebanon's posture in the negotiations, the Israelis also called on the Reagan administra-tion to use its influence in Damascus to bring about a satisfactory agreement.

By all accounts, this two-track approach has led nowhere. At Nagoura, the talks have been deadlocked for weeks on the future role Soviet Stalemated of UN troops in southern Lebanon. Israel wants the UN force to take

control of much of the territory now occupied by the Israeli Army and to serve as a buffer for an Israeli-supported militia that would be stationed in far southern Lebanon, Lebanon insists that its own army can police the south, and that the UN force should be confined to the area near the international border.

The two sides have not even begun serious discussions of the second major issue in the talks, the role, if any, of the Israeli-backed militia, the South Lebanon Army. The Lebanese and Syrians strongly oppose any continuing deployment

of this force in the territory. Meanwhile, Richard W. Murphy, the U.S. assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern and South

drawal accord, that Lebanon estab-lish political and commercial ties softening by the Syrians. Mr. Mur-with Israel. They also dropped their demand that an Israeli troop with-Washington this week and, accord-30,000 or 4,000 Israeli troops, along with the South Lebanon Army, is not the same as a Lebanon with Washington this week and, according to numerous sources, would do so without having made any head-

> Some Israeli officials argue that sectarian leaders in Lebanon, fear- Explosion in Druze Town ing an outbreak of violence among the many armed Lebanese factions if the Israelis withdraw, have deliberately subverted the Nagoura talks in the hope of keeping the Israeli Army, and the relative degree of order it imposes in the territory, in place. Only when these leaders are con-

vinced that Israel is about to pull back unilaterally are they likely to make concessions that would allow an orderly transfer of security duties to a new force in southern Lebanon, according to this argument.

The increasingly blunt Israeli threats to break off the Naqoura talks and take "unilateral steps" have been designed to test this thesis. So far, the threats appear to have been imconvincing.

If these tactics fail, the next step rael's best option may be in reduce tian East Beirut. its presence in Lebanon to the minimum, and then settle in for a mountain Druze town of Bham-

12,000 as we now have there. Israel, economically, politically and militarily, could live with that indefi-

A car bomb exploded Friday, port. severely damaging a school in the Druze town of Ras el-Matn, 20 miles (32 kilometers) east of Beirut, according to the Druze-controlled radio. The Associated Press report-

ed from Beirut. At least four civil-

ians were killed and 32 wounded,

among them 19 children. Many of the victims were dug out of the rubble by rescuers from the militia of the Druze opposition leader Walid Jumblat's Progressive Socialist Party, the party-con-trolled Voice of the Mountain radio said.

Artillery battles erupted afterward between Druze and Christian militias in the hills above Beirut, Druze and Christian radios said. The Voice of Lebanon radin of

the rightist Christian Phalange Parwill be to follow through on the ty said that Druze gunners lobbed threats. A senior official intermortar and rocket barrages into viewed Thursday suggested that Is- residential neighborhoods in Chris-The Druze radio said the central courts.

"It may take years before they heavy artillery bombardment. The realize we mean business," the official said. "But a Lebanon with meant blood department and the ban were initially ordered to pay higher fares, but Britain later

WORLD BRIEFS

Britain Lifts

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The Associated Press

erament lifted its ban on reduced-

the London-New York run can

start Jan. 1.

aviation relations.

ity said it had informed airlines

flying the London-New York route

that if they filed applications for low-cost winter fares before Dec.

27, "they will be approved for Jan.

Other British, U.S. and foreign

carriers were expected to file simi-

run. The Civil Aviat on Authority

said Friday it had already received

applications from British Airways,

World Airways and American Air-

thority said consideration of these

the cheap fares would expose Brit-

ish carriers to antitrust suits in U.S.

More than 100,000 passengers

Britain banned low-price winter

fares would take some time.

LONDON - The British gov-

Bonn Warns on Staying in UNESCO Winter Fares

BONN (AP) — The West German government has warned that its continued membership in UNESCO will depend on reforms within the 116-nation UN organization, Bonn officials said Friday.

In a letter sent this week to the secretary-general, Amadou Mahtar M'Bow, Foreign Minister Hans-Dietrich Genescher said that West Ger-many would remain a member for at least another year, ministry officials

But Mr. Genscher's letter also warned that Bonn will review its membership in the UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization in 12 months and may quit the agency unless it becomes less ideological rate trans-Atlantic winter fares Friand more efficient, the officials said. The letter demanded an end to the day and said the cheaper tickets on "uscless ideological debate" over regulating Western press coverage of the developing world and called for a freeze on membership-fees, according to Foreign Ministry officials. The action followed Thursday's announcement by the U.S. Justice

Department that it would not take U.K. Officials to Appeal Ruling on Pill level action against Reinish Airways

legal action against British Airways
if it dropped its London-New York
fares by 35 percent this winter.
British Airways said its new LONDON (UPI) — The British government said Friday it would go to Britain's highest court of appeal, the House of Lords, to overturn a court rating that bars girls under the age of 16 from getting birth control pills without parental consent round trip fares, available until the

John Patten, the junior health minister, announced the government's end of March, will be \$303 between decision to appeal Thursday's ruling that a Department of Health circular authorizing confidential treatment for those under 16 is illegal London and New Ynrk, \$47 lower than the current lowest price of except in emergencies. The decision was won by Victoria Gillick, a Roman Catholic mother of 10 children from Cambridgeshire, who called Its advance-purchase or late-"the best Christmas present" for millions of families.

purchase round trip fare from New York to London will be \$378 on The British Medical Association had asked the Department of Health to appeal the decision, citing fears of increased teen-age pregnancies and illegal abortions. "We think as a result of the judgment, girls under 16 will not go to doctors for advice," the medical association said in a statement. weekdays and \$428 on weekends, higher than the British prices because of the falling value of the

Britain's decision to reverse its Dhaka Bans All Politics During Strike ban on low winter fares ends a difficult two months in British-U.S.

DHAKA, Bangladesh (UPI) — The military government of Lieutenant General Mohammed Hussain Ershad has banned all political activities in Bangladesh for this weekend when opposition parties and a labor But the underlying cause of the dispute — Britain's demand for a guarantee against future annitrust

federation plan a 48-hour strike to protest military rule.

Officials warned that violators of the ban on political activity Saturday and Sunday could be sentenced to 14 years in prison. General Ershad's prosecutions in the United States opponents called the order a "harsh, pre-emptive step" against the strike.

The government said the strike, called by the powerful SKOP labor federation and 22 opposition parties, is unjustified because most of the federation's demands have been met. General Ershad declared himself

for setting low fares - remains "It's purely a short-term solotion for the winter," said a spokesman president on Dec. 11, 1983, with the professed aim of speeding the for Britain's Department of Transtion's transition to democracy. Britain's Civil Aviation Author

U.S. Tightens Hazardous Waste Rules

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Environmental Protection Agency announced Friday a major revision of its hazardous wastes regulations that will bring hundreds of U.S. companies under new or additional regulation to prevent environmental disasters.

The two-part regulatory package, effective in six months, extends agency regulation of hazardons wastes to cover many materials and processes and defines all dioxins as hazardous wastes. lar fares nn the London-New York The agency said about 2,600 companies will face new or additional

regulation, including businesses or recylcers in these industries: lumber, furniture, wood product, printing and publishing, metal products, chemicals, communications and transportation.

BA said Friday it had also filed for cheap fares on all its other U.S. routes. But the Civil Aviation Au-

Mozambique Backs Angolan Position

MAPUTO, Mozambique (UPI) — Mozambique backed on Friday

Angola's conditions for withdrawing about 20,000 Cuban troops from

Angulan territory and implementing an independence settlement for South-West Africa, or Namibia, according to a statement released at the end of a two-day visit to Maputo by President José Eduardo dos Santos of fares proposed by the majnr air- end of a lines on Oct. 18 because it feared Angola. At the same time Angola called for the full implementation by South

Africa of its peace treaty with Mozambique and supported Angolan attempts to "destroy" anti-government rebels of the Mozambique National Resistance.

Last month Angola said it would begin a three-year withdrawal of Cuban troops if South Africa pulled all but L500 of its soldiers out of Namibia, immediately initiated a United Nations peace plan for the territory and ended support for Angola's anti-government rebels of the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola, known as

Zia Urges Unity After Referendum

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AFP) -- President Mohammed Zia ul-Haq called Friday for national reconciliation in his first statement since Wednesday's referendum on his policies to deepen Islamic influence in In a televised address, he called on Pakistan to forget "past divisions"

and contended that popular support for his Islamization policies had removed all uncertainties for the nation. General Zia said that provincial and national elections would be held within three months.

The government contends that 97 percent of the voters agreed with the proposition in a turnout of 60 percent. The opposition, which had urged a boycott of the referendum, asserts that only 10 percent of the electorate participated. The main effect of the "yes" vote, as counted by the authorities, was to return General Zia as president for a five-year term.

Goukouni Says He Will Bar French

PARIS (Reuters) - Goukouni Oueddei, the pro-Libyan rebel leader, has said he will refuse to allow French military observers into the territory he controls in northern Chad to check on a possible Libyan military presence there.

In an interview published in the French newspaper Liberation on Friday, Mr. Goukouni said: "No French officer will set foot in this part of Chad, except by force... The Greeks can come, along with Syrians, Libyans or other neutral nations, but France has not adopted a neutral

Defense Minister Charles Hernu of France said Thursday that Freuch and Greek military officers in the Libyan capital of Tripoli planned to travel south to monitor a Libyan troop pullback from the northern

For the Record

China detonated a relatively weak underground nuclear device Thursday at its Lop Nur testing ground in Xinjiang province, the Hagfors Observatory of the Swedish Defense Ministry reported Friday. China carried out a similar test in October; its first since 1980.

The Soviet Union launched on Friday the second of two dual-purpose unmanned space probes to study Venus and observe Halley's Comet as it approaches close to the solar system, Moscow television said. (Reuters)
The Basque separatist guerrilla group ETA (Basque Homeland and
Liberty) claimed responsibility Friday for three bomb blasts that damaged a pipeline linking three military bases used by U.S. forces stationed Ethiopia's leader, Mengistu Halle Mariam, arrived in Solia on Friday

for talks with government officials, the Bulgarian news agency BTA Chicago teachers, who won a 4.5-percent pay raise after a two-week

strike this month, have ratified their new pact by a 3-to-1 margin, a union The leader of leftist guerrillas fighting to overthrow the U.S.-backed

government of El Salvador proposed on Thursday that a third round of peace talks be held in January. Guillermo Ungo, president of the Revolutionary Democratic Front, the rebels' political wing, said in Mexico City that the talks should last at least two days. Peter Lawford, 61, the British-born actor, remained in a come and in

critical condition Friday at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center in Los Angeles, a bospital spokesman said. Mr. Lawford, who suffers from liver disease and failing kidneys, entered the hospital Sunday.

U.S. Expands Talks Issues

(Continued from Page 1) into a strategic defense system. He bc. said it was crucial to engage the Soviet Union in talks on what con-

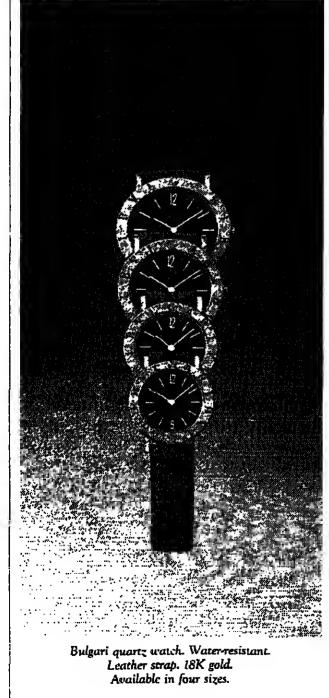
stitutes "stability." He said the administration "had no illusions that some unilateral U.S. deployment of defensive systems" would enhance The official, who said earlier that

offs in the negotiations, was asked

scure" what the trade-offs would

But he added, "The research program and our intentions for it have to be on the table and a matter for discussion and agreement and no gotiation between us, and they surely will be on the table."

The official also said the United the administration looked in trade- States thought trade-offs would be particularly fruitful in the strategic if this included the defensive systems area, where Washington tems, which are still in the very would be willing to see curbs on its early research phase. He said that bomber force, which is more at because there were an actual Amer- vanced than Moscow's in return ican defensive weapons in trade at for Soviet cuts in its land-based this point, "it is intellectually ob-



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Marx Again New York Times Service BELIING - The Communist Party newspaper Renmin Ribao, or People's Daily, published on Friday its second front-page editorial in two weeks to challenge the idea that what was said and done by Marx. Lenin or Mao can be taken as universally valid or as setting limits for the current Chinese lead-

To drive the point home, the newspaper dug into the speeches and writings of leading Communist theoreticians from Marx to Stalin. as well as Mao himself, to show that they had on patience with "phrase-moo-gers," reliance on "empty talk" or those who "do

oothing else except copy" from ear-lier thinkers, as the editorial put it. The article was published amid what appeared to be an internal Communist Party dispute over a similar piece in the editions of Dec. 7, attracting much comment among Chinese and abroad. The earlier article was judged by many Western experts to be the furthest that any ruling Communist party has gone toward publicly acknowledging the limitations of the Commu

Friday's article expanded on the theme, and said: "Marxism is not a dogma but a guide to action."

An accompanying commentary inside the paper related the matter more squarely to the policies of Deng Xisoping, the paramount Chinese leader, who has swept away many of the old orthodoxies and stressed foreign investment, market forces and limited free enterprise as the way to make China

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Ivan V. Arkhipov, surrounded by journalists and Chinese officials upon arrival in Beijing.

Senior Kremlin Aide Begins Talks in Beijing

(Continued from Page 1) been in the political consultations that have been going on intermit-tently since 1969 in the so far unsuccessful attempt to normalize relations between the two mmunist states.

Thus far, all indications are that the current visit will not produce any breakthroughs on the political front, and that the two govern-ments will concentrate during Mr. Arkhipov's visit on an attempt to broaden exchanges in two areas trade, and science and technology - where there has been relatively rapid progress in the past two

Officials on both sides have said that the four days that Mr. Arkhi-pov will be in Beijing before travel-ing to southern China will produce agreements in these areas. In particular, the officials say, it is hoped that there will be an accord on Soviet assistance in upgrading some of the many industrial plants and other projects that were built with the help of Soviet technology and advisers in the 1950s.

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gan was received on his visit here in The modest expectations of the two sides were reflected in the airport reception, which was brief and without ceremony. The embrace between Mr. Yao and Mr. Arkhipov appeared to have more to do with an acquaintance that dates but would also contribute to interback to the Russian's time as the national cooperation and world senior Soviet aid official in the 1950s than with any thaw in the Thatcher Defends Pact nverall relationship. It remains

snagged primarily by differences over Afghanistan, Cambodia and the high levels of troops each side maintains at their common fron-The Chinese perspective on the visit was suggested by the way in which the official news agency, Xinhua, handled photographs of Mr. Arkhipov's arrival. Although

the agency's photographer was close enough to catch a good shot of the two nfficials shaking hands, it did not release any showing the embrace and told a representative of United Press International that nn picture was available. Mr. Arkhipov paused at the door of his Chinese limousine to read a statement in which be said that the

bight of the positive trends that have become apparent recently in Soviet-Chinese relations," a reference to the increasing bilateral ex-"As we see it," be said, the talks

will focus on the questions of the

Soviet side saw the visit "in the

After saying that the Soviet Union saw a great potential for "the further expansion of mutually beneficial businesslike co-operanon" in various fields, Mr. Arkhiappeared upset over the warmth with which President Ronald Reapov alluded to the broader context of the visit and expressed the hope that it would help to strengthen the relationship between Moscow and Beijing.
The development of relations

between the U.S.S.R. and the People's Republic of China," he said. "would not unly serve the interests of the peoples of our two countries

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher of Britain said Friday that the agreement to give China sovereignty over Hong Kong in

1997 was better than no deal at all,

Reuters reported. Mrs. Thatcher said at a news conference in Hong Kong that the agreement, signed in Beijing on Wednesday, after two years of negotiations, would ensure the stability and prosperity of the territory

well into the next century. She told Hong Kong's civic leaders oo Thursday that during her 36-hour stay in Beijing, Mr. Deng and Prime Minister Zhao Ziyang had assured her that China would honor its commitment.

Mrs. Thatcher was scheduled to fly to the United States and meet with President Ronald Reagan on

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Workers Find

9 Bodies, but

Fail to Reach

Utah Miners

Compiled by Our Staff From Disputches

ORANGEVILLE, Utah - Res-

cue workers on Friday found nine

bodies in a smoke-filled coal mine

where 27 persons had been trapped

underground by fire, then moved

deeper into the mine in hope of

The bodies were found about 200

feet (61 meters) behind the coal-fed

fire that trapped the 26 men and

one woman inside the Wilberg

Mioe in central Utah on Wednes-

day night. No contact had been made with

the 18 remaining miners, but there was hope that they had reached a

"safe-retreat" chamber, said a

spokesman for Emery Mining Co..

The chamber is one and one-half

miles (2.4 kilometers) inside the

mine and 2,800 feet behind the fire.

The large refuge chamber con-

plus rescue kits with small supplies

of oxygen, officials said. Concern grew Friday that air would ruo out before rescuers reached the area.

The searchers, tethered together

operator of the Wilberg Mine.

finding the 18 others still alive.

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define their faith, according to

William J. McCready, program director of the National Opin-

ion Research Center at the Uni-

versity of Chicago. He calls it a

major change in the country's

Religious faith remains

strong, Dr. McCready said, but

for growing numbers of people an individual search for mean-

ing has become the central reli-

gious experience, replacing un-

Christmas trees dot Madison Avenue in New York City this season.

Pros and Cons Of Banning Ads

Advertising by lawyers, once banned by bar associations as unethical, promotes competition and leads to lower fees for ordinary legal services like wills and divorces, according to a Federal Trade Commission survey of 3,200 attorneys in 17

On another froot, the nationwide ground swell against drunken driving may drown out beer and wine advertising on radio and television, where cigarette and liquor commercials have long been barred. A broad

AMERICAN TOPICS Faith Is Strong, coalition of groups, including the National Parent-Teachers Religions Weaker ... Association and the Consumer Federation of America, is push-Americans are turning away from the dictates of organized mg for a congressional ban. Brewers and vintners pay religion and are drawing upon their own spiritual feelings to broadcast media \$720 million a year for ads, and both groups

Short Takes

President Ronald Reagan and his wife, Nancy, as has been their custom, will spend Christmas at the White House and the New Year's holiday at the Palm Springs, California, estate of Walter H. Annenberg. the multimillionaire publisher and former ambassador to Brit-

are fighting the proposed ban.

Washington Village, the up-market new name for one of Baltimore's oldest neighbor-hoods, doesn't sit well with evcryone who lives there. The area got its original name, Pigtown, from the droves of hogs who crossed it a century ago on the way from the railroad station to the slanghterhouses. "This place will always be Pigtown," says Gene Buscemi, 43, manager of the Pigtowne Tavern. Says Mary Donaldson, 63, a Pig-towner born and raised. To me, it's a term of endearment."

Artifacts of the civil rights struggle, such as the charred frame of a burning Kn Klux Klan cross, broken glass from a bombed church, and a 14-min-ute videotape fearning police dragging black protesters away. lunch-counter demonstrators, National Guardsmen sweeping the "Ole Miss" campus, form a permanent exhibit at the Mississippi State Historical Museum in Jackson. The building is otherwise largely devoted to memorabilia of the antebellum

Shorter Takes: U.S. coosumption of chicken is rapidly catching up with pork and beef and experts think it will overtake them both by the end of the century. . . . Casper, Wyo-ming, has 726 cars per 1,000 residents, the most in the United States, Laredo, Texas, has the fewest, 373 per 1,000, with New York City next at 376, according to the 1980 census. ... One of every eight Ameri-

can pupils attends a private school, the U.S. Education Department reports. The National Education Association says the reason may be "the very nega-tive image that public education has unduly received."

ARTHUR HIGBEE

Guatemala Hastens Hamlets

Indians Put in 'Model Villages' to End Links to Guerrillas

half of Guatemala's population of

two most basic needs. "security and

makes clear that the towns have

definite military purposes.

The hamlets have been built

along new roads constructed by

army engineers who cut through the pine-forested mountains. Here-

tofore, they had been impenetrable

to the military vehicles that can be

Acul and Tzabal have been erect-

ed over the mins of towns of the

same names that residents say were

bombed, burned and bulldozed by

the army during offensives in 1981 and 1982 against the guerrillas.

in scattered communities where fields alternate with adobe houses

over a vast expanse of countryside,

Acul and Tzabal are concentrated

collections of wooden one-room

houses with metal roofs. They are

laid out on a neat grid of gravel

While Indians traditionally live

land and work. -

ganization

Washington Past Service

NABAJ, Guatemala — Two years after taking to the mountains in a campaign against leftist guer-rillas in the rugged Indian highlands, the Guatemalan Army is rushing to complete a network of strategic hamlets intended to end

civilian support of the rebels.

A culmination of the army's counterinsurgency doctrine, the program establishes rigid control of an Indian population that has become a base of support for the leftist guerrillas in their protracted war against successive military gov-

The hamlets are known here as "model villages," or merely "re-built towns," and the army said they are part of an effort to extend modern services to the long-ig-nored and isolated Indians. Church and human rights groups abroad have asserted that the hamlets are modified concentration camps.

The army's Section of Civilian Affairs, which is in charge of "paci-fication" of the civilian populations in former rebel areas, has built 24 villages in four areas of the highlands that have been designated "poles of development." Another 55 are on the drawing boards. according to Colonel Marlo Enrique Paiz Bolanos, the head of the

The U.S. Agency for Internaoonal Development is allotting \$1 million of its \$52.5-million program in Guatemala for the construction of schools, roads and water facilioes in "model villages."

U.S. officials here maintain that the aid is to be given because of thecivilian economic merits of the towns, not their alleged strategic military significance. They insist the money is to go to the civilian

streets, with streetlights. "If anyon In short, a population that once kill him."

military-run government domi- is now concentrated in easily nates the civilian reconstruction or- guarded, and controlled, communi-

Colonel Paiz at his headquarters Next to the three towns visited in Guatemala City, said the hamwere military garrisons that villagers said were the true authority. No lets would provide the Indians the food, shelter, security and work ofactions could be taken without conten denied in the past. The Indians are descendants of the ancient Ma-Men were organized into civil

yans and who make up more than defense patrols whose chiefs were responsible to the garrison commander, according to these so-The colonel insisted that the counts. He often pressed virtual towns were not being built for strawork gangs to clear fields of fire for his garrison, to repair neighboring roads, help with fortifications or tegic purposes and thus could not be called "strategic hamlets" as were those that U.S. Army Special work on the construction of other hamlets under army supervision. Although army officials insisted

Forces, or Green Bereis, organized in Vietnam. He said the object was to provide the Indians with their that no one was being forced to live in the towns or prevented from leaving them, all town residents queried out of hearing of army civdevelopment, through provision of roads, electricity, clean water, c-action teams said that they were But a four-day trip here in Quiche province, the center of one of the four poles of development," forbidden to leave.

Some residents said the army had regrouped them there since gathering them up in the hills dur-ing recent operations. Others said they had sought to reach government lines as a result of starvation. disease guerrilla abuse or more recently, a government amnesty.

Virtually all of the villagers inter-viewed said they had originally fled to the mountains and lived with the rebels after the start of the army offensives in 1981 that were said to have killed thousands of civilians. The villagers also spoke of guerrilles killing other hundreds of civilians to prevent a return to government lines in the new villages.

The army, according to these residents, is just as determined that no one leave the new homes. "The army says we have to remain here." said a 30-year-old man sitting on a chair on the dirt floor of his house. If anyone ries to leave bere, they



An Indian civil defense unit on parade in Guatemala.

tablished a base.

As he spoke, almost all of the no food here," said a young civil

The informant said he was in town because he was assigned communal chores. He said the men of access to electricity and clean the village had been working for drinking water for the first time in the army on the hillside for the their lives. But they said the price is better part of a month without pay to be regimented in communes by and without being able to devote an army that supervises their acreconstruction organization rather

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enough time to grow their own tions through ubiquitous civil-detent than the military. However, the lived scattered over a large expanse

The army is not bad as long as food. He said their plots were mea-

you follow orders," he said. "If you ger and their families near starving, don't, they kill you."

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nther men of Tzabal's 1,390 resi- defense patrolman on duty at one dents were outside of town, clear-street corner. We were promised ing land around a bill above it our own land here but so far we where about 300 soldiers have es- have not received anything beyond tblished a base. our houses."
The informant said he was in The village

by rope, inched past smoldering coals to find the nine bodies. At one point, they were forced back by exploding chunks of hot coal before they continued the rescue effort, a spokesman said. Those trapped in the mine in-

cluded six company officials. The fire erupted as the workers tried to break a production record, officials The fire is potentially the worst U.S. mining accident since 1972. when 91 miners died in a fire in

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The War of the Weeds: Chemical Weapons Go Underground

By Boyce Rensberger Washington Past Service

HONOLULU — It's a jungle out there, even for plants. Scientists have found that many plants conduct chemical warfare against their neighbors, exnding toxins from their roots that can prevent the growth of nearby plants. This appears to be one mechanism by which weeds com-

pete so effectively against cultivated plants. However, as an international meeting of chemists here heard Thursday, agricultural researchers are learning how to fertilizer.

exploit natural anti-plant toxins to develop entirely natural methods of weed control. The reports were presented to the International Chemical Congress of Pacific Basin Societies, which has drawn more C. S. Tang. a bit than 4,000 chemists from 45 countries bordering the Pacific reported that man

"It's been obvious for years that many weed species had to

field much faster than you would expect from simple compe-tition for water and nutrients. Now we're beginning to zero in on how they do it."

Quack grass, he said, has been found to secrete a substance from its roots that alters the roots of nearby legume plants so that valuable nitrogen-fixing bacteria do not grow on them. Normally, legumes such as soybeans or alfalfa thrive because their roots play host to colonies of bacteria that can extract nitrogen from the air and turn it into

Dr. Putnam said that even when farmers kill the quack grass with herbicides, the toxic residue from the weeds can

C. S. Tang, a biochemist at the University of Hawaii, reported that many plants launch their first volleys of chemical warfare as mere seeds. As the seed absorbs water in preparation for sprouting, toxins diffuse into the surroundhave some method of attacking crop plants," said Alan R. mg soil, preventing any other seeds sprouting within a Putnam of Michigan State University. They can take over a "sphere of influence."

Some long-fived plants can cause so much toxin to accumulate in the soil that they damage themselves. The coffee plant, a long-lived tree, is a prime example, said George Waller of Oklahoma State University. The toxin is caffeine.

"We think this is the cause of what coffee farmers call 'tired soil.' " Dr. Waller said. "Coffee farmers everywhere have found that after about 10 to 25 years, the tree just isn't as productive."

He suggested that similar toxin buildups could be responsible for the soil problems reported with other long-lived crops such as citrus and grapes.

In some cases, scientists reported, the chemical weapons that plants use can be immed to the farmer's advantage. Plants that produce toxins against weeds can be planted to rid a field of weeds before the crop is planted.

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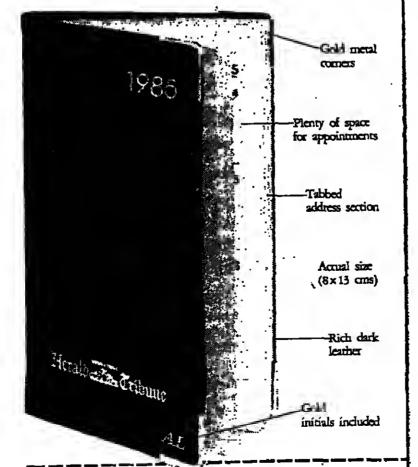
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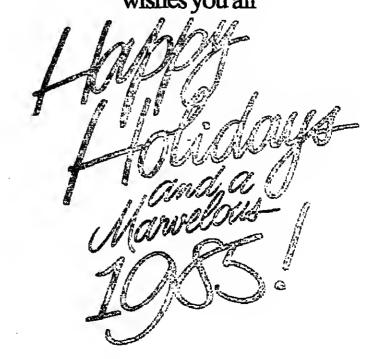
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By Barbara Crossette New York Times Service

SINGAPORE - A million and a half Singaporeans were expected to vote Saturday in a national election in which the major question was whether Prime Minister Lee Kuan Yew and his People's Action Party would again win every seat in

Mr. Lee has portrayed the election as both a referendum on his his visioo of the future: a dynamic.

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He has been prime minister for 25 years - during colonial selfrule, during a short-lived merger with Malaysia and since independence, which was granted in 1965. Opposition parties are saying a quarter-century of dominance by one party is enough if a semblance of democracy is to survive.

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island nation, according not only to Mr. Lee's party but also to the opposition and to political com-

Mr. Lee, 61, is universally acknowledged here as the architect of Singapore's phenomenal growth, from underdevelopment into a banking, commercial and manufacturing center with a standard of living that rivals that of Western

He has hinted that this will be his last term and appears to be trying to put in place a new political generation of his choosing. This year, be asked his longest-serving colleagues in the party to relinquish their seats in Parliament, saying it was time for to make way for new

More than half of Singapore's voters are under the age of 35. A quarter of a million new electors from 21 to 26 have been added to the rolls since the last election in

In the voting Saturday for mem-bers of the 79-seat lower house, there will be 26 new faces in the People's Action Party linear, 21 of them under the age of 40. Among them is Mr. Lee's son, Lee Hsien Loong, 32, who left his post as second-in-command of Singapore's armed forces to take up politics, raising charges from the opposition that a dynasty was being estab-

"This election will decide once and for all whether Singapore will continue on the road to democracy or whether it will take a step backward into one-party rule," said J.B. Jeyaretnam, Singapore's only opposition member of Parliament, at political rally here Sunday. Mr. Jeyaretnam won his seat in a 1981

His constituency has been redrawn, prompting predictions that he will lose the seat. In four previous national elections, no opposition candidate has won.

Mr. Jeyaretnam, whose left-of-center Workers' Party is fielding 15 counts.

By Lena Sun

candidates, said in an interview that be senses a restlessness and unfocused disaffection among Singaporeans. He says Mr. Lee's sweep of his party's old guard indi-cates that the same message is

Mr. Lee's party is being challenged in 49 constituencies by three independent candidates, the Workers' Party and seven smaller parties -the Singapore United Front, the United People's Front, Barisan Socialis (a major opposition party un-til it withdrew from Parliament in 1966 and boycotted the 1968 elec-tion), the Singapore Democratie Party, the Singapore Justice Party, the Islamic Movement and the Sin-gapore National Malay Organiza-tion. The People's Action Party is not being challenged for the 30 other seats.

The opposition parties are concentrating on matters that appear to be small issues, but that are important at the grass-roots level: government changes in the educaoon system that are thought to reward the brightest at the expense of other children; government incentives to college-educated women to marry and have more children, and a proposed raising of the age — to 65 from 55 — at which Singaporeans can begin to withdraw money from compulsory retirement ac-

China to Ease Entry for Some Visitors By Granting Visas at Beijing Airport

New York Times Service

BELING - China has decided to allow at least some businessmen and tourists to apply for visas upon arrival at the Beijing airport, but it remains unclear how freely the new policy will be applied. Until a major effort to attract tourists was started a few years ago,

China had one of the strictest visa policies of any nation. Although two million tourists come here annually now, and many more businessmen, the practice has been to require them to obtain visas in advance from Chinese embassies and consulates abroad. The official English-language oewspaper, China Daily, said Thurs-

day that beginning Saturday an office at Beijing airport would issue visas to foreigners and overseas Chinese with valid passports. Bot Thursday's newspaper account and an earlier announcement in the Chinese-language Beijing Ribao left key aspects of the policy unclear. China Daily said that the airport visa office would assess the visa status of applicants "according to the mission" that they declared

adding that the purpose of the policy was "to streamline the entry rocess for foreigners, especially those who wish to enter China as quickly as possible for business reasons." This suggested that people other than businessmen, whose presence is wanted here, could be turned away at the airport.

The China International Travel Service, which handles arrange ments for tourists, said that the agency had been informed of the new policy but that it continued to prefer that tourist groups obtain their visas before arrival, from diplomatic posts. Foreign airlines and Western consular officers in Beijing said they would advise tourists to stick to the old approach until the new ooc is clarified.

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U.S. Protests Failure Of Beijing to Honor Pledge to Buy Grain

Washington Post Service
BELIING — The United States has formally protested China's failure to buy about \$475 million in U.S. grain, marking the first time mats said Friday.

An oral protest was made to the Chinese ambassador, Zhang Wenjin, in Washington earlier this month, the diplomats said. It was followed up by expressions of "dissatisfaction" in Beijing. Diplomatic sources did not iden-

tify who made the protest in Washington but said it was conveyed "at a very high level." With the exception of China's cancellation of a cultural accord last year in retaliation for the granting of asylum to Hu Na, a Chinese tennis star, it was the first time that China had failed to honor an agreement with the United States since the two counties established diplomatic rela-

oons in 1979, diplomats said. Chinese officials have not given a specific reason for not buying the grain, but have complained about prices and the discovery of a pestiride, EDB, in the wheat shipments, a diplomat said.

Because of bumper harvests, China has less need for U.S. grain today than when the sales began in 1981. In addition, the decentralization of its planned economy under a series of economic reforms has made it more difficult for the state ministries, such as the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations and Trade, to direct the state corporation in charge of buying grain, the diplomat said.

China is known to be unhapp with the recent tightening of U.S. rules on importing textiles. The regulations, which went into effect on Sept. 7, effectively restrict indirect textile exports by China to the United States. China has strongly protested the "country of origin ile, asserting that it threatens 100,000 textile jobs.

renege on its commitment to buy between six to eight million metric tons (6.6 to 8.8 short tons) of U.S. grain this year, the Chinese have steadfastly insisted that they would honor the grain agreement.

Friday's disclosure, however, raises questions about China's reliability in international agreements at a time when it is trying to attract foreign investment to spur modernization.

China frequently boasts of its reputation for honoring international agreemeous. In fact, oo Wednesday, Chinese leaders, including Deng Xiaoping, the para-mount leader, pointed to their record in honoring international ister Margaret Thatcher of Britain and jittery Hoog Kong residents

Japanese Trains Crash; One Dead, 122 Injured The Associated Press

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agreement on returning Hoog Kong to Chinese sovereignty.
"There is no question that the

failure to meet the commitment does reflect upon the general fidelithat Beijing has reneged on a trade agreement with Washington, diplo-diplomat said. "It makes businessmen making contacts think." Under a four-year agreement

that expires at the end of this year, China is obligated to buy and ship at least six million metric tons of U.S. wheat or corn annually. For the first two years, China exceeded its commitment. But last year, it fell short by about 2.2 million metric tons and, as of late November, had purchased only 4.4 million tons for 1984, for a total shortfall of 3.8 million tons with a value of about \$475 million.

"The present grain agreement is lapsing and there won't be a new grain agreement," one diplomat

He said that the formal protest was lodged about two weeks after a U.S. Department of Agriculture delegation held talks in Beijing on Nov. 20. At that time, the U.S. delegation, led by Richard Smith, administrator of the department's Foreign Agricultural Service, ex-pressed its "deep disappointment" over China's noncompliance with

the terms of the agreement. China's 2.2-million-metric-ton grain shortfall last year was designed as a form of retaliation in another textile dispute. Grain pur-chases were stopped after Washington imposed unilateral quotas on certain Chinese textile exports to the United States.

Air New Zealand Stays Grounded

Agence France-Presse WELLINGTON, New Zealand - The cabin crew strike that has grounded all international and domestic flights by Air New Zealand Although Western diplomats mestic flights by Air New Zealand had said they expected China to was deadlocked late Friday and appeared unlikely to be solved by Christmas Eve.

The airline management and the unioo oegotiators were making conflicting demands over a possible return to work and accusing each other of prolonging the strike. The airline is demanding that all strikers return to work before talks begin, while the strikers have offered to staff only domestic flights. Meanwhile, hundreds of travel-

ers were booked into hotels and motels by the airline as they began a second night of waiting for the



Arrests in Italy, France May Weaken Terrorists

PARIS - A series of arrests by French and Italian police may have hurt a Middle Eastern terrorist organization known as the Lebanese Armed Revolutionary Factions, which has been blamed for attacks on U.S. and Israeli officials.

A Lebanese woman identified as Josephine Abdo Sarkis, 26, was arrested Wednesday at Rome's Leo-nardo da Vinci Airport after she arrived from Jordan. Italian police said she was a suspected leader of the organization.

The woman's detention followed the arrest Oct. 24 in Lyon of a man now identified as Abdullah Georges Ibrahim and the arrest in Trieste, Italy, of Abdullah Moham-med al-Mansouri on Aug. 6. All are believed to be members of the Lebanese Armed Revolutionary Factions, which has claimed responsibility for five attacks in France since 1981, resulting in four deaths.

The affair began when Italian police arrested Mr. Mansouri as he left the Orient Express in Trieste and was found to be carrying about seven kilograms (15.4 pounds) of Czechoslovak-made plastic explosives. He also was said to be carrying documents that included names and addresses in Paris.

On Nov. 12, 1981, Christian A. Rome.

Chapman, the charge d'affaires at the U.S. Embassy in Paris, escaped gunman's attempt to kill him. Then, on Jan. 18, 1982, Lieutenant Colonel Charles Ray, deputy mili-tary attaché at the embassy, was killed on a Paris street.

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Yacov Barsimantov, a counselor at the Israeli Embassy in Paris, was shot to death on April 3, 1982, in the entrance to his apartment building. On Aug. 21, 1982, a bomb was placed under the car of Roderick Grant, the commercial attache at the U.S. Embassy. It fell from the car as Mr. Grant drove away, but later exploded and killed two policemen as they tried to disarm

The last attack claimed by the group was the March 27, 1984, attempt on the life of Robert O. Homme, the U.S. consul in Strasbourg, who was wounded when five shots were fired at him by a person on a motorbike.

The Italian news agency, ANSA, reported that a Rome prosecutor was questioning Miss Sarkis about the assassination in February of Leamon R. Hunt, the director-general of the multinational observer force in the Sinai. Mr. Hunt was shot outside his home in northern

Protesters Win Delay in Danube Dam Work

The Associated Press

VIENNA -- Chancellor Fred Sinowatz of Austria said Friday that there would be no further government action on a controversial Danube dam project until early next year after environmentalists had pledged to occupy the site over Christmas to prevent construction

oorth of Tokyo, killing one of the engineers and injuring 122 of 150 5,000 people were expected to spend Christmas eve at the location Police said they believed the in the Auwald, one of Europe's last

But Mr. Sinowatz said Friday: "We shall take oo further action until a complex review of the situa-tion at a cabinet meeting next Jan. 3. I think we should use the holiday season on both sides to reconsider our stands, and that we should all spend Christmas at home with our families."

A spokesman for the protesters said he welcomed the government's move and that there would be no demonstrations over Christmas. "We are pleased that reason has crash occurred because one of the primeval flood forests, near Hain-prevailed and we shall keep a

were injured and 48 detained in clashes between police and demon-

The Auwald is a tract of 20 square miles (50 square kilometers) of swamp forest formed by thousands of years of flooding by the sluggish Danube.

The protesters say the dans will pollute Vienna's drinking water, destroy a precious stretch of forest and only add to Austria's surplus of electric power.

The government says the dam will reduce the nation's dependence on gas and oil.

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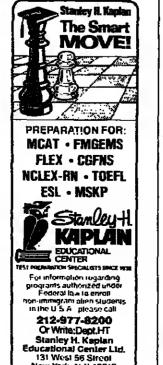
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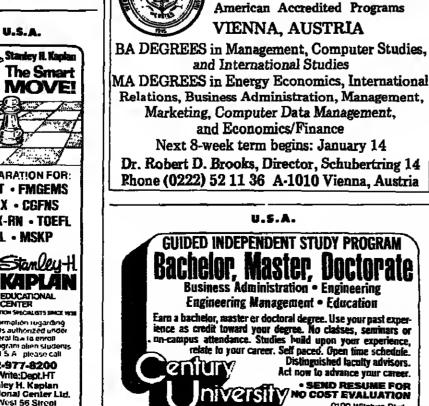
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Soviet Defectors Listen To Call of the Homeland

Moscow Encouraged Recent Influx Of Citizens Dissatisfied With the West

By Seth Mydans New York Tones Service

MOSCOW - For Turgeney, a Russian away from his homeland vas like a slice cut off from the loaf. The Russian word for the feeling is *toska* — melancholy, a longing. For those away from home, it is an anguished yearning for the mother-

land that. Russians say, few other

people can appreciate.

Throughout history, Russians have left their homeland. By most only of toska.

This week, a Soviet soldier who the soldier who have escaped toska. . Toska, and perhaps a bittle help from the KGB, the Soviet secret police and intelligence agency, seems to be bringing quite a few Russians home these days. It is a trend that the Soviet government appears to be encouraging, and one that fits neatly with a new cutoff of emigration from the country.

Moscow is giving the returnees high visibility and respectful treatment, and Westerners are beginning to suspect that a campaign may be under way to tempt home

is generalized a trabent states.

Svetlana Alliluyeva, Stalin's danghter, who defected 17 years ago with bitter words for the "prison" of her homeland, is back, talk-ing of toska and condemning the West as a place where she was nev-

Oleg G. Bitov, a Soviet journalist who defected in 1983, is back, too, criticizing the Western nations in

U.S.-ASEAN Group Gets \$1-Million Grant

The Associated Press WASHINGTON — The U.S.-ASEAN Technology Center was formally presented with a \$1-million grant from the U.S. government Thursday. The center is a clearing house to encourage U.S.

investment in Southeast Asia. Sponsors include governments, companies and trade organizations in the six members of the Association of South East Asian Nations (Singapore, Malaysia, the Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia and Brunei), the ASEAN-U.S. Business Council and several leading U.S.based corporations.

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which he recently was publishing

attacks on the Soviet Union. The body of Boris Chaliapin, the great opera singer who died in 1938, was returned this fall from a grave in Paris for reburial in Moscow's most revered cemetery.

The event was greeted with an outpouring of sentiment. Chalia-pin's friends are appearing on tele-

defected in Afghanistan 18 months ago returned voluntarily to the Soviet Union from the United States. Soviet Embassy officials brought Nikolai Ryzhkov, 20, to the State Department, and U.S. officials said they were convinced he was leaving

of his own volition. Also back home are two Russian soldiers, Sergeant Igor F. Rykov 22, and Oleg G. Khlan, 21, who defected in Afghanistan and who. like Mr. Bitov and Miss Alliluyeva, had little good to say about the motherland when they were in the West. They, too, seem to be victims of toska. A loving letter from home, a long day spent walking the streets in tears and an even longer visit to the Soviet Embassy in London are said to have brought them home.

All of them say they returned voluntarily, and there is nothing to show that this is not the case. But the two soldiers spent three days in the Soviet Embassy before taking an Aeroflot flight to Leningrad and emigre friends of Mr. Bitov, stunned at his sudden return, say they believe pressure of some sort was brought to bear on him.

Although officials have been putting a brake on emigration, the flow of defectors has continued over the years, including the dancers Rudolf Nureyev and Mikhail Baryshnikov, the musicians Mstislav Rostropovich and Maxim Shostakovich, the fighter pilot Viktor I. Belenko and the chess player Viktor Korchnoi.

From sportsmen to tourists to sailors to diplomats, no one seems immune to defection. Few take the route back home again,

The phenomenon has spawned



Nikolai Ryzhkov



Mstislav Rostropovich

returned home, why?" It is one of the elements in cur-

amounts to a U.S. gnarantee that lors to come home. defectors would be returned.

so many people want to leave. The It was a memorable event, then, when in September, a month after not inevitable. Mr. Bitov's return, Miss Alliluyeva came home. She was welcomed with her 13-year-old American daughter, Olga Peters, and granted saying, there might just be a route the Soviet citizenship that was home. stripped from her after she defect-

ed in 1967. its own joke about a Soviet ques-tionnaire that asks: "One: Have the price of her return, Miss Alli-tame of it."



Svetlana Alliluyeva



Rudolf Nureyev

you ever been abroad? Two: If you luyeva read a statement that appeared to hint at an invitation to other defectors to return, reinforcrent U.S.-Soviet negotiations over a ing a suspicion by some Western new cultural exchange agreement, observers that Moscow has in mind with the Russians asking for what a new policy of persuading defec-

"I know many defectors who are prevented from returning home Soviet propagandists struggle to prevented from returning home combat the image of a country that only by fear of possible punishment," she said. Her very presence, press consistently portrays life in healthy, well-groomed and appartic West as cruel and oppressive. ently satisfied with her choice, seemed to say that punishment is

For those people, slices from the Russian loaf despairing under the weight of toska, she seemed to be "No matter how hard I tried -

and quite sincerely I did - to live At the press conference for for- quietly like all other Americans

Vietnamese Town of Ben Suc Arises From Ashes

George Esper was The Associated Press's last bureau chief in Saigon, now Ho Chi Minh City. He recently revisited Victnam after a 10vear absence.

By George Esper

BEN SUC, Vietnam - Blown up by U.S. troops nearly 18 years ago, the town of Ben Suc came to symbolize the destructiveness of U.S. "search-and-destroy" operations in the Vietnam War. Ben Suc has been rebuilt, but

not all its wounds have healed.
"Many people were killed, all things burned," said Phan Van Chinh, 60, a former town leader. "It made the people hate the American imperialists very much."

But Mr. Chinh quickly added: "We hate only the American imperialists who came here and destroyed and killed our people. We

Launched on Jan. 8, 1967, the operation was called "Operation Cedar Falls," and it ushered in a period when "search-and-destroy" became a byword of the U.S. war

Ben Suc, 20 miles (32 kilometers) northwest of the former South Vietnamese capital of Saigon, was in the heart of an area the U.S. military dubbed the "Iron Triangle," a Viet-cong stronghold of dense jungle, tunnel net-works and rubber plantations, wedged be-

tween Route 13 and the Saigon River. Military tacticians decided to destroy Ben Suc to deny the Communist guerrillas a supMr. Chinh recalled the air strikes that pre-

ceded the arrival of U.S. troops. "Nothing on the surface of the earth was left," he said. "Houses were destroyed and trees were uprooted."

After the Americans evacuated the town's almost 6,000 residents and their livestock, demolition teams planted 10,000 pounds (4,550 kilograms) of explosives in a large hole scooped out near the center of the town. They then detonated it, hoping to destroy any undiscovered tunnels.

The people did not want to leave, Mr. Chinh recalled. Field reports of the time spoke of long columns of frightened women and crying children shuffling down the rutted clay roads, carrying their meager belongings of pots and pans, bedding and family keep-sakes, their thatched-roof homes burning behind them.

One of them was Tran Thi Tu. "I was afraid of the bombardment," she recalled. "My husband, father, mother, sister and brother were killed."

Today, 10 years after the Communist victory in Vietnam, the 46-year-old woman is back in the rebuilt Ben Suc, selling chicken, pork and vegetables from a stall in the town

Rubber trees have been newly planted, the town is producing rice, and many other for-mer residents have returned.

Town officials like to show off another reminder of the war - a Vietcong tunnel the

the landscape. Oxen pull carts loaded with straw past an abandoned American tank along a dusty dirt road. Nearby, the former headquarters of the U.S. Ist Infantry Division, the "Big Red One." is overgrown with grass, its entrances and guard posts rotting away, its empty shell grazed by cows.

Remnants of those days are scattered over

In Ben Suc today, villagers pedal bicycles down country lanes. Women walk briskly with baskets of vegetables balanced on bamboo poles across their shoulders. Children sit

in open-air schoolhouses. But, the memories of that January day remain painfully fresh. "Cedar Falls was terrible," said Mr. Chinh.

■ Economic Changes Urged Drastic changes are needed in Vietnam's economic management, the Communist Party daily newspaper Nhan Dan said Friday, in a report on a Central Committee plenum here. Agence France-Presse reported from

Nhan Dan said the plenum, which ended Monday, had called for new efforts to boost the country's lagging economic development. It said that the six-day session had outlined oals of the 1985 economic plan, noting that development this year had slowed, compared

with the previous three years. The plenum called for efforts to collectivize agriculture in the south and to rein in private businesses throughout the country. the report said.

Ustinov Was Architect of Soviet Military Buildup

By Eric Pace

New York Times Service NEW VORK - Marshal Dmitri Ustinov, the Soviet defense minister whose death was announced

on Friday, oversaw a military buildup and played a key role in internal Kremlin politics. A burly, sandy-haired techno-crat with great self-confidence, technical gifts and administrative skill, he had humble beginnings. He was a 14-year-old Red Army volunteer in the civil war that fol-

lowed the 1917 Russian Revolution and then a paper mill mechanic. Appointed defense minister in April 1976, a month after be was named a full member of the ruling Politburo, he emerged as one of the most powerful men in the country. power in 1982 of Yuri V. Andropov

and his succession by Konstantin U. Chernenko this year, During Marshal Ustinov's time the Red Army to resist the Ger- political work when Mr. Cher- ty prime minister.

as defense minister, his forces maintained what a recent Pentagon report called an aggressive posture. It said that, from 1973 to 1982, Moscow's spending on military as-sets outstripped Washington's by

Under the marshal, the Soviet military establishment also had its problems. The 115,000 Soviet troops reportedly stationed in Afghanistan failed to quench the insurgency there. Wrangling within the defense establishment was indicated last September when the Chief of the General Staff, Marshal Nikolai V. Ogarkov, was dismissed.

Soviet prowess as an arms-maker was to a large extent Marshal Us-tinov's personal achievement. Aged 32 in June 1941, when Stalin chose He was widely considered to have him as People's Commissar for Arbeen instrumental in the coming to maments at the time of the German and its land forces in Eastern Euinvasion in World War II, he rope and on China's border.
revved up production of tanks and Marshal Ustinov also took over a revved up production of tanks and

Hero of Socialist Labor in 1942. February. Later, as chief of the postwar

defense industry under Nikita S. Khrushehev, he was again designated a Hero of Socialist Labor in 1961 for "outstanding services in the development of rocketry" that led to the first manned space flight

by Vuri A. Gagarin. For the 11 years before he became defense minister, Marshal Ustinov was a secretary of the Communist Party Central Committee under Leonid 1. Brezhnev, overseeing the military-industrial complex. He supervised the arms production program under his pre-decessor as defense minister, Marshal Andrei 1. Grechko, In that period, the Soviet Union attained parity with the United States in strategic arms. It expanded its navy

other arms that did much to enable substantial share of the Politburo's In 1963, he was raised to first depu-

Dmitri Fyodorovich Ustinov was born on Oct. 30, 1908, into a working-class family in the Volga city of Samara, now Kuibyshev.

He displayed his technical aptitude early and was admitted to a timber industry vocational school in Makaryev, a town in a logging area 250 miles (400 kilometers) northeast of Moscow. He finished a four-year training course as a mechanic there in 1927. The future marshal joined the Communist Party in that year and went to work, first as a mechanic at a pulp and paper mill near Gorki.

In 1957, Marshal Usunov was made a deputy prime minister in charge of coordinating all the defense industries, including shipbuilding and the production of aircraft, radio and other electronics equipment and nuclear weaponry.



Facing Realities in Cyprus

Before his election as secretary-general of the United Nations, Javier Perez de Cuellar toiled for years as its mediator on Cyprus. He now believes that Greek and Turkish Cypnots have edged near enough to a compromise to justify a meeting between their leaders next month. If he has judged right, Cyprus could be removed from diplomacy's intensive care unit. The United Nations needs such a victory. May the force be with him.

It has been 20 years since the UN sent a peacekeeping unit to Cyprus, and a decade peacekeeping unit to Cyprus, and a decade since Turkey invaded to protect a Turkish minority under siege. Everything about that intervention is in dispute; the results are not. The Turkish community, 18 percent of Cyprus's 650,000 people, holds 37 percent of the land. A swap of populations completed the division of the island into the Greek-led Republic of Cyprus and the self-proclaimed Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus.

Mr. Pérez de Cuèllar has searched patiently for a formula that would grase the green line

for a formula that would erase the green line dividing these enclaves. His plan is said to call on Turkish Cypriots to retreat to 29 percent of the land — with room for bargaining — and to

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join Greek Cypriots in a bizonal, bicommunal federation. That is generous to the Turkish Cypriots, and their leader, Rauf Denktash,

says he is ready to accept.

The benefits for Greek Cypriots are less obvious. The compromise could mean the withdrawal of 25,000 Turkish troops from the north, and provide land for perhaps a third of 180,000 refugees. Cyprus would once again be united under a Greek Cypriot president. A bicameral legislature would give control of the lower house to the majority, with Turkish and Greek Cypriots equally represented in the up-

per house. Cyprus would remain nonaligned.
All this implies a permanent ethnic segregation, ratifying in the constitution much of what the Turkish invaders won in the field. This is the hard deal now before Greek Cyptiots. Given the refusal of Turkey's Western partners to force a more generous settlement, it is probably the best imaginable. Since the island's calamities are rooted in misguided inter-ventions by others, its deliverance may lie in direct talks between Cypriots. So reckons Mr. Pèrez de Cuellar, whose toil merits support.

— THE NEW YORK TIMES.

End the Auto Quotas

It is time to end the quotas restricting im-ports of Japanese automobiles. President Rea-gan's meeting with Prime Minister Yasuhiro Nakasone next month presents the ideal opportunity. This was to be a temporary restraint —a tax, really, on American consumers — to give America's automakers time and capital to adjust to new market conditions. They have had four years. From here on, protection will only make them inefficient again.

Unfortunately, both governments see the issue as a bargaining chip. Auto quotas are not for bargaining. Their task is done.

Allegedly voluntary as well as temporary, the quotas were forced upon the Japanese in 1981, when America's auto industry was in great distress. One-fourth of the 10,7 million cars sold in the United States in 1979 were foreign, mainly Japanese. Lagging in automa-tion and quality control, and ill-prepared to make smaller cars, Detroit was shutting plants and laying off workers. Cutting Japanese imports to 1,68 million a year for two years was rationalized as necessary to give Detroit time for restructuring. Then the quotas were extended to a third year and, slightly enlarged less certing to a fourth. last spring, to a fourth.

Predictably, the effect was to raise the prices of all cars. The Japanese turned to shipping more profitable, higher-priced models. And American cars were priced higher than would have been possible in an open market to help raise the capital needed for a dramatic modemization program. Total car sales have now climbed back up to 10.6 million. Though the job loss since 1978 still exceeds 100,000, the majority of laid-off workers have been rehired, and all workers have won contracts eliminating most of the concessions they had made. They earn much more than the national average for factory workers. And industry profits are breaking records — an estimated \$10 bil-lion to \$11 billion this year, compared with a loss of \$4.2 billion at the low point in 1980.

Chrysler, Ford and the United Auto Workers want the quotas continued. They contend that U.S. production still suffers from the strength of the dollar, which makes foreign goods unnaturally cheaper for Americans. They also complain that Japan officially encourages exports while overprotecting its bome market. General Motors, for its part, wants the quotas ended, or at least enlarged. It calls the controls unacceptable in U.S. trade policy, but on narrower grounds also wants to import more small cars until it can meet the demand with domestic production.

Japan's auto industry urges an end to quotas but its government has not yet taken a posi-tion. Some American officials suspect Tokyo may prefer to sell relatively fewer cars in the United States at higher prices instead of having to reciprocate for elimination of the quota with other trade or financial concessions. Now that they also produce cars inside the United States, the Japanese may feel less need to export more across the Pacific.

The danger is that the quotas will become permanent and cause a relapse in Detroit. A protected industry could again fail to meet consumer demands for high-quality small cars and revert to burdening its products with excessive costs and wage settlements. If the quotas cannot be lifted when the economy and industry are strong, they will never come off.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Other Opinion

Beagan's Budget Prospects

The prospects for President Reagan's fiscal budget message get poorer by the minute. By the end of January he must produce a budget which indicates to the financial markets that he is serious about deflating hallooning deficits, but which balances expenditure reductions in a way broadly acceptable to Congress. The president has made the job about as hard as it can be. He promised that taxes would not be raised. He also pledged not to interfere with social security. Unless a major weapons program is halted, such as the MX missile, spending cuts will be hard to come by. But with talks with the Soviets days away it is a had time to be sweeping bargaining chips off the board. - The Daily Telegraph (London).

The Shuttle Under Wraps

Next month's flight of the space shuttle and its secret Pentagon cargo put into sharp focus the conflicting demands of military secrecy and a democratic society. The problem is especially crucial now as the country moves toward the increasing militarization of space and research on a "star wars" nuclear defense.

The military has long had a policy of treat-ing its space launches as classified. The policy is about to be imposed on the civilian-developed space shuttle, and, for the first time since Alan Shepard flew in 1961, American astronauts will be in space under a veil of secrecy.

The Pentagon bas a right — even a duty — to keep secrets that it believes are vital to performing its mission, but the press has a right to eather information of public interest

and to publish it if it disagrees.

The Washington Post decided that enough information was already publicly available that there was no danger in publishing details about the new satellite. After its story appeared in Wednesday's editions, The Associat-

ed Press distributed its own story. Secretary of Defense Caspar W. Weinberger called the Post's decision "irresponsible." But if news agencies can figure out the nature of the payload, so can the Russians.

If the Pentagon wants news organizations to withhold information, it must make a compelling case for secrecy, and news organizations will be responsible in evaluating the facts. But an informed public is also a worthy goal that is properly served by the press.

- The Los Angeles Times.

Lugar, at Least, Is Not Helms

Richard Lugar's greatest attribute as the new chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee is that be is not Jesse Helms. That alone is plenty of reason for any rational American to breathe a sigh of relief over his elevation to that job.

The Indiana senator's words and actions show that be will work to bring long-missing openness, bipartisanship and congressional independence to the conduct of U.S. foreign policy. By pressing the administration for po-licy changes in South Africa and Nicaragua, Mr. Lugar bas sent a message to the White House that the Republican Senate leadership expects to regain a significant voice. By scheduling for next month a comprehensive committee review of American foreign policy, Mr. Lugar furthers the hope that the administration's major international initiatives will begin

to undergo public, bipartisan scrutiny. - The St. Petersburg (Florida) Times.

FROM OUR DEC. 22 PAGES, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1909: Taft Goes Christmas Shopping NEW YORK - With the co-operation of a dozen Secret Service men, four policemen and a half-dozen special detectives. President W.H. Talt did his Christmas shopping, or part of it.

Unannounced and unexpected, he appeared at mittee investigating munitions. "If you don't Tiffany's. President Taft stepped from an automobile, and the attendant, surprised almost to absolute forgetfulness, only halfraised his umbrella. No less startling was the successful war is to have an absolute monarappearance of Mr. Taft in the store, Mr. chy. Did you ever hear of a democracy waging George F. Kunz, a Tiffany's director, took the a successful war?" Senator Gerald P. Nye, the President into a private reception room, and there the President, aided by Mrs. Taft, picked out a dozen or so pieces of jewelry which will go to make a happy Christmas for the Tafts.

1934: Du Pont Calls for Defense

WASHINGTON - The only way to prevent war is to prepare for it in time of peace, declared Irenee du Pont, of the E.L du Pont de mittee investigating munitions. "If you don't do that, you will have a hell of a time," he said. "If we have another war, we are going to have a hell of a time anyway. The only way to wage a chairman, said that Germany was well prepared in 1914, yet we had a war. Dn Pont replied: "Who started the war? I am talking about defense, not offense."

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By David S. Broder

Washington — Let there be no mistake. Secretary of Defense Caspar W. Weinberger is the strong man of the Reagan administration. He has won another battle over David A. Stockman and the other members of President Reagan's senior White House staff, sparing the Pentagon's spending plans, at least for now, from the cutbacks almost all other parts of government will experience in the budget Mr. Reagan

sends Congress next month.

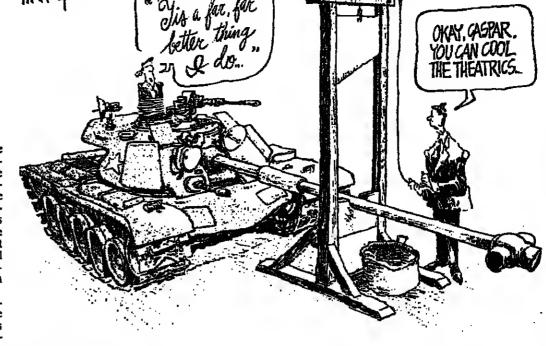
There are many members of Congress of both parties — including one Republican whose views, for reasons I will get to, merit special attention—who think Mr. Weinberger's "victory" may eveninally rehound against both the armed services and the Republicans' best interests. But the pattern of Mr. Weinber-

ger's success within the administrager's success within the administra-tion is so striking and so consistent that it deserves exploration. In each of the last three years he has faced heavy pressure from some of Mr. Reagan's most influential advisers— including the White House chief of staff, James A. Baker 3d, his deputy, Bisheed G. Darman and Mr. Stock-Richard G. Darman, and Mr. Stock-man, who heads the Office of Management and Budger — to trim the military huildup in order to reduce the budget deficit.

This year Mr. Baker, Mr. Darman and Mr. Stockman were reinforced in their arguments by all the other members of the cabinet and by most leading Republican senators and repre-sentatives, whose help Mr. Reagan will need to pass a budget in 1985.

For all their argument that spend-ng cuts had to be "across the board," Mr. Weinberger controlled the only vote that counts: the president's. The Pentagon got off with a token cut. Part of the secret of his influence is

surely his long friendship and service



with the president. Part of it is Mr. Reagan's own strongly held belief that military power is a good in itself - not one to be measured against

other uses of the money But part of it is the fact that Mr. Weinberger has embraced, more fully than any of his recent predecessors, the role of spokesman and advocate for the uniformed military services. If Mr. Reagan has wrapped himself in the flag, as critics charged during the last campaign, then Mr. Weinberger has put on the armed services' uni-form, figuratively speaking, and dared anyone to try to trim it.

Which brings me to that interesting Republican I mentioned. Representative John McCain of Arizona is the grandson and son of noted navy admirals. An Annapolis graduate, he was en route to his own flag rank when he was shot down over Hanoi in 1967 and spent six years in a North Vietnamese prison. After his release, Mr. McCain did a tour of duty as the navy's top lobbyist on Capitol Hill. then retired and in 1982 was elected to a House seat from Phoenix.

A prospective candidate to succeed Senator Barry Goldwater of Arizona not adept at telling why we ever need

is as conservative and defense-minded as his state — but an intelligent critic of what be sees happening in the Pentagon under Mr. Weinberger's management.

Weinberger is not so much running the American military establishment as letting that establishment run him. "In the past," Mr. McCain said, "the secretary of defense was the guy who said to the military, You can have this much, but you can't have every-thing you want. Cap [Weinberger], on the other hand, has almost always endorsed their requests."

What he has not done, Mr. McCain said is make more than "a feeble attempt" at plausibly explaining wby American security demands an ever-rising Pentagon budget. Under Mr. Weinberger, he said, the Pentagon is "very good at explaining the gee-whiz aspects, the virtues of Stealth, B-1, MX, the Apache helicopter — telling how this plane will fly upside down, 900 miles-an-hour at night, hit the target and come back, and the pilot won't even know he left. But they're

when he retires in 1986, Mr. McCain to send that pilot or aircraft there to start with."

Mr. McCain is worried that under

Mr. Weinberger's stewardship, "pub-lic support for significant increases in defense has declined from 70 percent In essence, his argument is that Mr. in 1981 to 20 percent now -- without a perceptible change or improvement in Soviet behavior." Americans, he added, "have lost faith that defense dollars are being spent without waste, fraud and abuse." But the horror stories about over-

priced spare parts are only the "tip of the iceberg." Mr. McCain said. More serious is the failure to be clear "about the commitments the United States has in the world."

"What my constituents find hard to understand," Mr. McCain said, "is wby we still have 250,000 troops in Europe, 40 years after V-E Day, and why we commit 6 percent of our GNP, and Japan only 1 percent, to a defense program that guarantees Japan's oil supply lines."

Unless and until Mr. Weinberger

answers the questions of the John McCains of Congress, his "victory" must be regarded as shaky.

The Washington Post.

Poland: IMF Membership May Loosen Its Soviet Ties

N EW YORK — Poland's impending mem-bership in the International Monetary Fund may have the disadvantage of legitimizing the disdained Jaruzelski regime. But Washington should take comfort in knowing that economists can now get busy undermining Soviet influence in Poland — something the Poles themselves

have been unable to do. The banned Solidarity trade union urged Polish membership in the fund to get secret deals between Warsaw and the Kremlin exposed by the nosy economists sent from IMF headquarters in Washington. Two other important benefits will also accrue from membership.

First, the fund's economists will show the

Jaruzelski regime how to achieve real reform. Second, the IMF requires members to work toward making their currencies freely convertible, and this will help pull the Polish economy at of the Soviet orbit and toward the West Poland will be held accountable for its \$35billion debt - something that can only help it

work to normalize its relations with creditors. Polish economists should have taken a new role in policy-making long ago - after the imposition of martial law, in December 1981, when General Wojciech Jaruzelski decided to try to follow the Hungarian economic model. But he had learned his lessons backward. Whereas the By Frank Lipsius

Hungarian leader Janos Kadar is a reformer disguised as a disciplinarian, General Jaruzelski

is a disciplinarian parading as a reformer. General Jaruzelski followed Hungary in limiting the Central Planning Commission to foreing the Central Planning Commission to fore-casting, rather than directing, the economy, But enterprises still get allocations of raw materials rather than having to buy them on the open market, so centralized control continues. Poland was also supposed to have stopped subsidizing industry, by replacing government handouts with loans that enterprises would have, to pay back. But no Poilsh industries have since

been declared bankrupt, as they surely would have been if subsidies were ended, so it would appear that this was not implemented.

General Jaruzelski is either fooling himself or trying to fool the country. He will not fool the IMF, which knows the economies of its other East European members: Yugoslavia, Romania, Hungary. The fund can force reform on Poland.

The economic benefits will undoubtedly have political repercussions, as they have had in Hungary. Eliminating centralized control under-mines the Communist Party's stranglehold on the economy. Efficiency replaces loyalty, and workers, managers and farmers soon recognize the political side of their economic interests. Eventually, they group together in lobbies, leading to a gradual devolution of political power.

Why does the Kremlin tolerate East European membership in the fund? For these reasons:

First, having withdrawn its subsidy for the Polish economy after martial law was declared, Moscow has lost some of its say in Poland. Second, the Russians are themselves trading as

much as they can with the West. They can subsidize their own inefficiency with abundant raw materials and oil, but their largesse no longer extends throughout Eastern Europe.

And the Russians have not tackled the prob-

lems caused by their own mefficient allocation of resources and politically controlled economy— failures that prevent their grasping the ramifica-tions of economic change in their empire.

Stalin's withdrawal from the Bretton Woods

agreements in 1947 led George F. Kennan to write his well-known pseudonymous article laying out the West's containment policy. If the International Monetary Fund then became a line of demarcation between East and West, Poland is now beginning to switch sides.

The writer, whose articles often appear in British newspapers, wrote this for The New York Times.

For the Arabs, a Time of Motion and Hope, but ...

AMMAN, Jordan — Jordan is now committed to seeking nego-tiations with Israel on the return of territory in exchange for peace, the second Arab state to do so after

Egypt. But . . . There is always a "but" in the Middie East. King Hussein will not move without a formal agreement from the Palestine Liberation Organization to join the effort. As always, the PLO's Yasser Arafat is smiling and flying about, and making elaborate arguments to avoid coming to the point.

The king and his advisors are under no illusions about Mr. Arafat's compulsive dedication to avoiding hard decisions. By holding his Palestine National Council meeting here in Hussein's capital despite the absence of Damascus-based radical factions. and by applauding the king's speech, Mr. Arafat appeared to be moving toward the Jordanian position.

Amman's strategy now is to try to pin Mr. Arafat down at last by persuading the people around him that there is no other choice. The argument is that time is running out on Palestinian hopes and that the PLO's By Flora Lewis

key constituency now is those who bye under Israeli occupation, not the groups and cliques scattered outside. But Mr. Arafat's strategy is still to

seek unity in his divided organiza-tion, persuading the dissidents who boycotted the council meeting to make up. This offers President Hafez al-Assad of Syria another chance to block any hope of negotiations. If the radicals return, they would renew their demand for a veto against the Jordanian project, a recipe for con-tinued deadlock.

Mr. Arafat and King Hussein have important differences. They are to start talks in a few weeks to draft a joint stand that would then be presented to an Arab summit. The process is scheduled to take about three months. But the timing seems wildly optimistic. Then, of course, comes the question of whether the Arabs can even agree to bold a summit.

The king insists on majority rule, which would favor the moderates, instead of the current requirement for consensus that gives the extrem-

ists a veto. But the mainstream PLO still clings to the idea that Arah "unity" and Arab "solidarity" are essential preconditions for even considering negotiations.
This is another period of intricate

maneuver among Arabs. Despite his efforts, Hussein feels blocked. Frustrations are rising again and people here are arguing, as they usually do in these circumstances, that the United States must create a breakthrough. Things just do not work that way.

The king's call for an international conference with all five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council is an attempt to open something, an "timbrella" as it is called in the newly fashionable diplomatic jargon. But there is not yet a basis for it.
The major Jordanian concern at

this point is Syria. Mr. Assad is furious at Hussein's audacity in playing host to the PLO despite intense Synan pressures to prevent it. Some say Damascus may try military intimidation to prevent a PLO-Jordan agree-

ity, especially if an Israeli pullback in banon frees some Syrian divisions. So the barriers to real progress in the year ahead still look insuperable. But there are some important underlying changes. The most notable is that the hig argument now is about peace and the conditions for seeking it. The usual talk about the "inevitable next war" has faded away.

That does not mean, however, that time is with the doves. A new, impatient generation of Arabs is rising and their societies cannot offer them much satisfaction. Militant fundamentalism continues to appeal. The inherent instability of these countries remains the greatest danger to the region. A firm peace settlement is needed to contain upheavals.

None of the leaders is willing or

able to move quickly and decisively to get the peace process going. They must come to see it will simply hap-pen by itself, or be delivered by a deus ex machina named the United States. There is some time for the new attitudes to ripen, but not a lot. The New York Times.

'Nuts' — The General's Marvelous Monosyllable By Donald Wayne

C AMBRIDGE, England — Saturday is the 40th anniversary of perhaps the most famous American story of World War II — the story of "Nuts." The scene was Bastogne, Belgium, during the fierce 1944 Battle of the Bulge, when Hitler's armies launched a surprise winter offensive in a last-ditch effort to win the war. The Führer's desperate gamble caught the Allies off guard and might have succeeded but for actions like the defense of Bastogne.

Panzers swept through hitter cold and falling snow in the Ardennes in a race with American forces to seize and hold the crossroads town. The Americans got there first. They were paratroops of the 101st Airborne Division, which had taken part in the D-Day landings in Normandy. The division's acting commander was General Anthony C. McAuliffe.

Outnambered and surrounded, General McAnliffe was in a bad way. A German truce party came with a demand for his surrender. The story of his terse reply has been repeated in numerous writings and at least one film about the war, but often with noticeable variations of detail. What happened exactly? I possess a letter written to me by General

McAuliffe that tells the story in his own words.

We met in Bastogne in 1969. I was there to help celebrate the 25th anniversary of the siege.

General McAuliffe, then retired, had flown over as the guest of honor and to have a reunion with veterans of the 101st Airborne and others who had taken part in the battle. I pointed out to him that the "Nuts" story was

always being told by others and not by its main character. What was his version? The general, who died in 1975, never bothered

to write his memoirs. But he responded to my request by putting his first-person account into a letter, which he sent after returning to his home in Washington, D.C. Here is the full text:

The "Nuts" story follows.

At 11:30 on Dec. 22, four Germans came up the road to Bastogne from Remoifosse carrying a large white flag. My troopers concluded that the Germans were surrendering. The envoys were blind-folded. They had a message addressed to the American commander in Bastogne. It demanded the immediate surrender of the Bastogne garrison and threatened its complete destruction otherwise. When told what the paper contained, I laug

and said "Nuts." I then visited some troops. When I returned to the C.P. [Command Post]. I was told that the Germans, still blindfolded, were saying

they had brought an official communication and were entitled to an official reply. "What shall I tell them?" I asked the staff. Colonel Kinnard, our brilliam G-3 [chief intelligence officer], suggested: "That first crack of yours, that 'Nuts,' would be n good answer." The staff agreed with enthusiasm, so they typed it out in official fashion: "To the German Commander: Nurs. (signed) The American Commander. Colonel Harper placed the reply in the German afficer's hand. The German asked if the reply was

affirmative or negative. If affirmative, he had the authority to negotiate further. He did not understand the one-word reply. Harper said, "It means the same as 'Go to hell.' You understand that, don't you?" The German said, "Yes, and we'll kili many Americans."

General McAuliffe's refusal to surrender resulted in five days of ferocious enemy attacks, including a prolonged one on Christmas Day. When units of General George S. Patton's Third Army arrived to relieve Bastogne, it was none too soon. Today Bastogne has a "Nuts" museum and a McAuliffe Square.

Mr. Wayne is an American writer now living near Cambridge. He contributed this account to the

Nakasone: Will He Give Till It Hurts?

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By Joseph Kraft

W ASHINGTON — "Beware of Japanese bearing gifts" is a paraphrase of Virgil that describes the preparations being made here for President Reagan's meeting next month with Yasuhiro Nakasone. Prime Minister Nakasone is coming with what is advertised as an offer on

anto quotas too good to refuse.

American officials want much wider trade concessions. The question is whether they can agree on a unified parkage, and then persuade Presi-dent Reagan to talk tough despite his warm feeling for the Japanese leader.

The two leaders meet in Los Angeles on Jan. 2 against a background of perilous imbalances in world trade. The United States is heading for a record annual deficit of \$1120 billion for 1984. By for the James control of the control of the least control of the lea for 1984. By far the largest component, \$35 billion, comes from the Jap-anese surplus in bilateral trade... The trade deficits lead back

through the overvalued dollar to high interest rates and the budget deficit The imbalance is dangerous because if foreigners lose interest in buying American, they will start to unload dollars. The United States would have to raise interest rates to hold foreign investments. Higher rates would slow the U.S. economy and hurt such important debtor countries as Mexico and Brazil. All this would

as Mexico and Brazil. All this would stagger the world economy.

The Japanese are well aware of the problem. The U.S. boom of the last two years has been the locomotive for an economic pickup in many other countries, including Japan. Anti-Japanese protectionist sentiment runs strong in the United States and elsewhere. As Japanese grounds aware to the countries and secondary the countries are strong in the United States and elsewhere. where. As Japanese exports mount, so do protectionist barriers. Thus To-kyo has an interest in averting trouble

later by restraining exports now.

The meeting between Mr. Nakasone and Mr. Reagan offers the Japanese an ideal occasion to show restraint. An almost perfect instrument is the quota agreement reached in 1981 to limit Japanese anto exports to the United States. The present accord, which holds down Japanese ex-ports to America to 1.85 million vehi-cles annually, has fostered the soaring profits of U.S. automakers. It expires in March. And Japanese representatives have been wondering aloud whether Mr. Nakasone would

aloud whether Mr. Nakasone would not gain credit in the United States by offering to extend the accord at the meeting with Mr. Reagan.

Extension of the agreement would not be all that painful for Mr. Nakasone. It would build his major political asset in Japan, the friendly personal tie to Mr. Reagan. It would enhance the government's hold over the fractions Japanese auto industry. cohance the government's hold over the fractious Japanese auto industry. ft would suit the major Japanese manufacturers — Toyota, Nissah and Honda. — because it would freeze their licrative position in the United States while fencing out such newer entrants as Misubishi.

So American officials do not regard an offer by Mr. Nakasone to extend the quotas as a big lavor. Commerce Secretary Malcolm Baldrige and William Brock, the special trade representative, are telling Mr. Reagan he should not even mention auto quotas to Mr. Nakasone. In their view Mr. Nakasone will have to extend the auto accord for his own reasons, and they want Mr. Reagan to concentrate on prying other con-cessions from the Japanese leader.

For Mr. Baldrige and Mr. Brock the goal is greater access for American manufactured goods to Japanes markets. They are particularly keen to promote the sale of high technol-ogy. They think Mr. Reagan should press Mr. Nakasone for a monitoring system, and for an understanding that noncompliance would bring U.S.

retaliation against Japanese exports. But those sharply defined goals are not shared throughout the U.S. gov-ernment. The Pentagon wants to use Japanese vulnerability to American pressure to promote a larger military effort. The Treasury and the State Department think the United States should try to foster a change in the general mix of Japanese economic policies. They want Mr. Nakasone to stimulate Japanese consumption by running larger budget deficits. In that way, it is argued, Japanese consumers would buy more American goods and more Japanese products, thus relieving the pressure to export.

The upshot is a paradox not unfa-

miliar in the history of U.S.-Tapanese relations. Tokyo is under heavy pressure to make trade concessions to the United States. Americans know the Japanese weakness, and have a strong interest in opening Japanese markets. But the United States has no good mechanism for establishing priorities among its own competing interests.

For now, the summit of the eco-

nomic superpowers promises more good feeling than good sense. And another chance to steady the world economy may go by the boards. Las Angeles Times Syndicate.

LETTERS Why d'Aubuisson?

Regarding the report "D'Aubuisson Urges U.S. to Back Rebels in Nicara-gua" (Dec. 7) by Joanne Omang

I was shocked to read that Roberto d'Aubuisson was given the podium at Georgetown University in Washington. Why should a distinguished university invite someone so closely associated with El Salvador's rightist death squads to speak on its inc-mises? What enlightening ideas has this man to impart? Are not the faculty and students of Georgetown University embarrassed by the presence of this man in their respected aca-

demic community? 1 am n staunch supporter of freedom of speech but a university canous is too sacred a place to be stained by the presence of this man and what he represents.



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Will He G Ethiopia, a Land of Want

Till It Hill Thousands of hungry people are making their way to relief camps in Korem and Bati and elsewhere, some to be sent on to other camps, some just to die. Here, the Brazilian photographer based in Paris.

> The photographs on this page were taken in northern Ethiopia. The places are called Korem and Bati, two of the food-distribution camps where thousands of famine victims have flocked from the drought-stricken coun-

tryside.

It is through photos that the famine has become a gripping concern worldwide. The drought has scorched a broad swath of Africa, from the Atlantic to the Indian Ocean, for four years. And while press accounts have told of the developing tragedy, it was only after television in Britain and the United States showed the starving victims that the world took notice.

The story grows worse day by day. More than a thousand people a week are dying in Ethiopia's three northern provinces alone.

At Korem, the largest center, 225 miles (360 kilometers) north of Addis Ababa, about 60,000 refugees are encamped. Fifty were dying every day.

At Bati, 2,500 people arrive every day; 120 die every day, most of them children and old people. Solitary figures, the starving people, crawl over its parched and barren surface, searching for tufts of grass or windblown leaves, anything remotely edible.

At twilight, they straggle back to the crowded camps where others have lain all day, too weak to move. They take shelter in huts made of sticks or in shallow holes dug into the ground. A few gather in communal shacks of corrugated tin to await darkness and another night of hunger.

The scenes of privation are no longer the only images. A \$100-million international relief effort is feeding 750,000 people daily. But the magnitude of the famine is staggering. Relief officials say it million Ethiopians are in dire need of food.

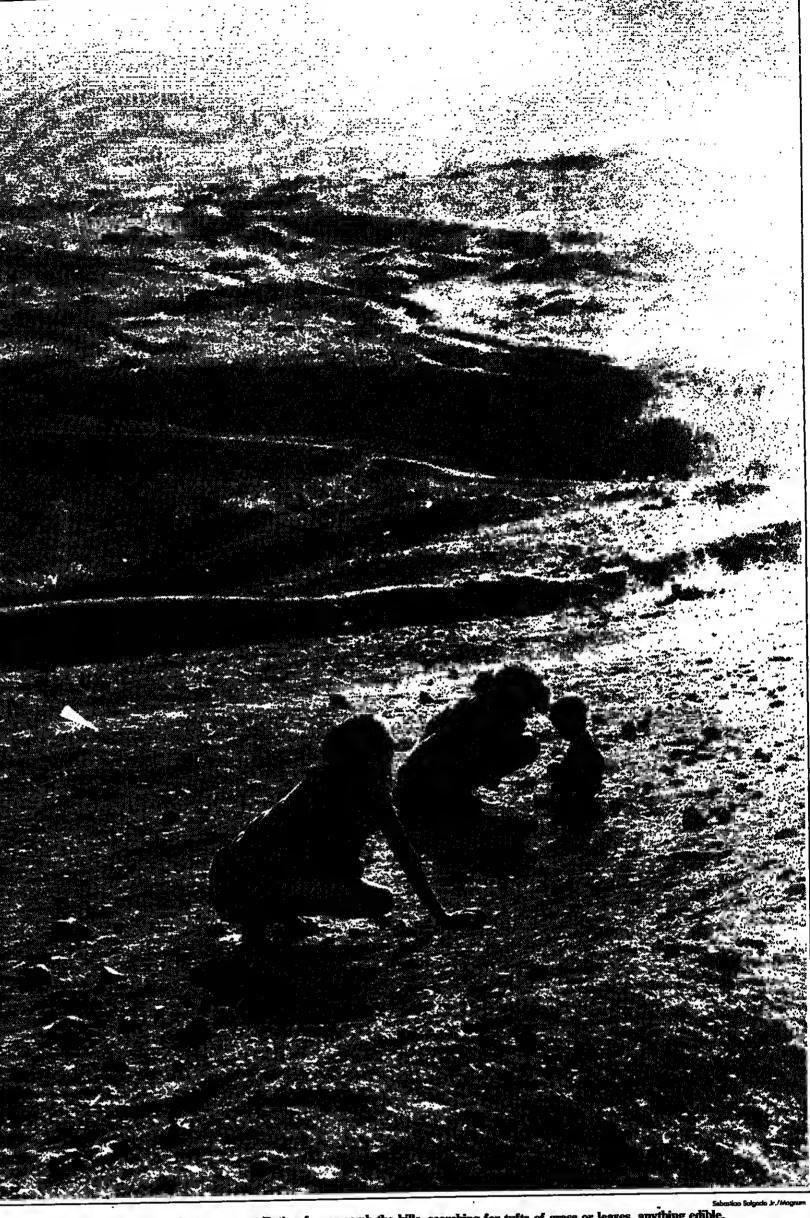
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Two mothers and two children wait for food at the Save the Children Fund camp at Korem.



The tear-streaked face of a hungry child at the Red Cross camp at Bati.



Outside the Red Cross center at Bati, refugees comb the hills, searching for tufts of grass or leaves, anything edible.



By the time they arrive at Korem, some refugees die before they can be fed and given medical aid.



A French doctor from Médecins Sans Frontières checks a new arrival at Korem.

fact that other Claude drawings are

manner and impeccably preserved. It made £113,400.

The underpricing of high quality could be verified at the very bortom

of the financial scale when an ex-

in black and red chalk is signed by

Jean-Baptiste Huet. It is dated 1775. And it is a rarity. Huet did

this as part of a small group drawn

after nature. Such a price would

have been normal only three or

of Juvarra's architectural fantasy

to say nothing of condition, is irrel- which then would have been worth

This view finds suppport in the It is hard to explain why such

than £73,400 if compared with the buyer's charge). My guess is

Canaletto's tired drawing. It is one that it takes a trained eye to appre-

of the finest sketches from the Pun- ciate the draftsmanship of Huer's

chinello series and its condition is study after nature, while the appeal

evant to a new category of buyers. £1,000 to £2,000.

TONDON - While world re-L cords monopolize attention, the extraordinary inflacion that is affecting drawings from almost any school goes virtually unnoticed. It is impressive because in con-

trast to other areas it pushes up banal works and, more surprisingly, drawings whose condition is less than satisfactory.

In Christie's auction of what it called "Important Old Master Drawings" Dec. 13 and 14, high

Souren Melikian

prices were consistently paid for indifferent Old Master drawings ranging from the 16th to the 18th century. The finest works in the sale were not particularly expensive, as if buyers could not see the

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A striking illustration was provided by a group of 20 drawings graced with a separate catalog ritled "Old Master Drawings From the Collection of Mis. Donald Stralem." These had been bought more than half a century ago by the late Casimir Stralem of New York. Collectors love items that have been out of the market for such a long period. But that was their chief merit. Too many of the drawings looked like parodies of their own style, obvious and not particularly well-executed.

There was the layman's idea of what a French Renaissance portrait looks like. A young man is seen head and shoulders, turned three quarters, his head emerging from the starched plears of his high ruff. Attributed to the obscure Daniel Dumonstier, the black and red chalk portrait, not a little rubbed, went to £10,260 (about

There was the most hackneyed stereotype of a oude by François Boucher. Something appears to have happened to this drawing: The red chalk outline of the body is too harsh, the touches of white contrast too strongly with the black rubbed off. Either way, the pastel chalk. The color of the paper, originally blue, is now a salmony gray that does not simply suggest pro-longed exposure to daylight. It may have been cleaned a long time ago, the chalk being made to adhere to the paper and becoming darker in the process, or an overzealous restorer may simply have gone over the fading outline. At £75,600, the drawing must be getting close to a world record for an undesirable

Giandomenico Tiepolo's drawing of Punchinellos sold for £73,400.

for Canaletto's view of the Church

of Jesuits in Venice. This too has

been nastily cleaned a long time

ago; the brown pen strokes are

slightly frayed along the edges and

the sky looks empty, washed away. A small architectural sketch for a

stage setting by Filippo Juvarra, charming but insignificant, left

connoisseurs staring in bewilder-

By Susan Lumsden

International Herald Tribune

donna Benois," a Leonardo rarely

seen outside the Soviet Union. It

will be on exhibition at the Uffizi

The small oil painting (48 by 30 centimeters, 18.6 by 11.6 inches) is

on loan from the Hermitage in Len-

ingrad. Little is known of the work

after it was painted in Florence in

1478, when Leonardo da Vinci was

25. According to legend, it arrived in Russia with some Italian min-

strels oo their way to Astrakhan in

It is believed to have been

bought by the grandfather of the

Madame Benois who loaned it for

an exhibition of privately owned works organized in Leningrad by

the art magazine Starije Gody in

1908. The first art historian to see it

and attribute it beyond a doubt to

Leonardo da Vinci was E.K. Li-

phart, the curator of the Hermitage

In 1912, the Benois family decid-

ed to sell the work to a London art

dealer, but after an outcry in Rus-

sia the painting was sold to the Hermitage for 150,000 rubles. To-

gether with Leonardo's "Madonna

Litta," it is one of the major attrac-

tions of the museum. The "Madon-

na Benois" has been seen outside

Russia only twice - in an exhibi-tion of Italian art, "From Cimabue

to Tiepolo," in Paris io 1935, and in

a show of 11 Italian paintings from

the Hermitage that went to New

York, Washington and Los Ange-

"It is extremely unusual and a

rare example of the young Leonar-

do," says Luciano Berti, the direc-tor of the Uffizi. "The madonna is

happy and joking, hardly more than a child herself, very unlike

Leonardo's other works in which

the madonna is pensive and severe

and foresees the death of her son.

Here Leonardo has studied the

psychology of happiness and expressed it with the rapid lines of the

madonna's robes and the curving

ones of the Christ child's chubby

Of the 20 Leonardo paintings known to exist, three are in the

the "Adoration of the Magi" are

more characteristically intellectual

"The Annunciation" and

"To call director Alan Parker's Birdy' the

season's high-risk movie is a wild understatement. It attempts the almost impossible: to

change an almost surreal novel's interior mono-

logues and descriptions in vibrant screen action.

And, through an inventive adaptation and the

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quickly followed suit,

Gallery uotil Jan. 10.

the 19th century.

LORENCE - From Russia

for Christmas comes the "Ma-

Throughout the sale, one had a superb.

ment as it climbed to £19,440.

Next would come his "Venus gant peaks. Few experts would feeling that the hierarchy of value four years ago. But it bears no related to the could, occult on the could forecast a £50,760 price based on quality of draftsmanship, tionship to the £19,440 Juvarra, Standing," in the oude, ocedless to say. A young woman leans heavily on an oval shield and simpers as ber forefinger touches a beart painted on the shield, which is pierced by an arrow. Someone was ovestricken coough to pay £55,000. This made an insufferably cute Fragonard study of six putti seem almost approachable at £16 200

Most astonishing perhaps was the portrait of a young lady with a parrot, by Rosalba Carriera. With her upper body thrown back and a rose stuck in her hair, she typifies academic art of the Louis XV age in an interior decorator's setting. Some of the blue of the dress looks much too bright, as do touches of pink. Asked if some color had been added to the pastel, Christie's expert Noel Annesley said he thought that some color might have been has lost its bloom, which makes the record price of £145,800 even more extravagant. Third rate - and in this case not impeccably preserved - drawings have never been so

expensive. Last week the phenomenon was not confined to the newly surfaced Stralem collection and thus cannot be accounted for by the surprise effect. The drawings "from various sources" sold before and after the

collection reached equally extrava-

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passion and precision of Matthew Mondine's and Nicolas Cage's beautifully sustained performances, it may well have succeeded," says Sheila Benson of the Los Angeles Times. The setting for the story, adapted by Sandy Kroopf and Jack Behr from the novel by William Wharton (pseudonym of a Paris-based painter-novelist), is a post-Vietnam army hospital, where an al-most catatonic Birdy (Mondine), has been under the scruiny of an army psychiatrist, Dr. Weiss (John Harkins). The doctor brings in Birdy's childhood friend Al (Cage), a severly injured Vietnam veteran, to see if his presence will break Birdy's silence. Al, in lighting to bring Birdy from the only world where he has felt completely himself, the world of birds, comes dangerously close to the brink of his own abyss.

"Protocol," directed by Herb Ross and written by Buck Henry, stars Goldie Hawn as a cent Canby of The New York Times. "Unlike Washington cocktail waitress who, through a such real country films as Places in the Heart' series of comic accidents, becomes a national or 'Tender Mercies,' The River' doesn't feel as cultural center as a memorial to Margaret though it grew from personal observation or Mitchell who wrote "Gone With the Wind."

a breezy, not entirely unpredictable comedy that was made to order for the gifted Goldie Hawn," says Vincent Canby of The New York Times.

Leonardo's "Madonna Benois."

echoes the soft beauty of the "Ma- on their first trip outside the Soviet

donna Benois," Berti said. It was Union. "Icons from Soviet Muse-

this angel that supposedly caused ums: Russian Painting from the

Verrochio to quit painting, daunted 15th to the 18th Century" runs at

shown in the Sala Niobe, the only

The Uffizi Gallery will be classed
18th-century room in the Uffizi, Dec. 24 and 25, and Jan. 1 and 2;

similar to the style of the Hermitopen Dec. 26, 30 and 31 from 9 age. The loan is part of a long-term A.M. to 1 P.M. Regular daily

exchange program based on a 1979 schedule, 9 A. M. 10 7 P. M.; closed

was too targe to send, betti sales seen in Francisco at the "Instead, we offered Botticelli's Leonardo to Michelangelo" at the 'Pallas and the Centaur.' It is per-Casa Buonarroti, 70 Via Ghibel-

be shown at the Hermitage in by Michelangelo in 1529 and still visible in fragments from the Viale

Inventive Adaptation, Performances in 'Birdy'

haps even more symbolic of Flor-entine culture." The Botticelli will ling through Feb. 28.

the Palazzo Strozzi through March

The Uffizi Gallery will be closed

More works by Leonardo can be

The walls of Florence, design

by his pupil's talent.

The "Madonna Benois" is being 3.

agreement. In return, the Hermit- Mondays.

age had asked for Botticelli's "Pri-mavera," restored in 1982. But it

was too large to send, Berti said.

film, written by Jonathan Reynolds, is about plumber. Much to the fury of his father, Jeffrey Rob Salinger (Dudley Moore), a Los Angeles comes to value judgements, he's right up there with Carter and Nixon." Micki and Maude, the wives, are played by Ann Reinking and Amy Irving. "The director, the star and the writer make a fine team in this often riotous tale," says Vincent Canby of The New York Times.

written by Robert Dillon and Julian Barry, is tempts to hang on to their Tennessee farm in Times. spite of mounting bank debts, big business in-terests and, of course, the river. There is something staunch and beroic about farmers like the Garveys, but not about this movie," says Vin-

C APSULE comments on films recently re-leased in the United States: tiately understand, is taken on by the State from an inner need to tell a story," says Sheila Department as a protocol official. "Protocol" is Benson of the Los Angeles Times.

Garry Marshall's "Flamingo Kid" is an unsen-timental "Summer of '42" updated to 1963, about Jeffrey Willis (Matt Dillon), an upwardly "Mich and Mande," Blake Edwards's latest mobile Brooklyn teen-ager whose father is a has turned down a job as a messenger for an television newsman who, for the kindest of rea-engineering firm to work as a parking lot attensons, finds himself married to two women, each dant at the El Flamingo, a garish Long Island of whom is carrying his child. Rob is the sort of cabana club. "The film is by far the best and fellow of whom a colleague can say, "When it funniest work yet done by Dillon," says Vincent studying in a mirror a small paint-Canby of The New York Times.

Michael Crichtoo's "Runaway" is about a police sergeant named Ramsey (Tom Selleck), whose job it is to dismantle things that look like very smart vacuum cleaners should any of them run amok. "Crichton by now has the high-tech-The River." directed by Mark Rydell and thriller genre all to himself, but his sovereignty doesn't seem very hotly contested. Even at its about Tom and Mae Garvey (Mel Gibson and fanciest, the form has become somewhat old Sissy Spacek), their two children and their at- hat," says Janet Maslin of The New York

Margaret Mitchell Memorial Planned

JONESBORO, Georgia - The Clayton County Chamber of Commerce is planning a

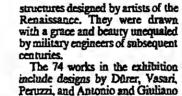
A truly cheap buy was a wonder-ful landscape by Claude Lorrain. stant. It is also more literary, and In his catalogue raisonné, Marcel abstract considerations now tend Rothlisberger dates the work to to take precedence over the purely 1660-1665. It went for £54,000. The visual element in assessment of modest price is partly due to the drawings. One of the more obvious consequences of this factor is the acceler-

floating around in the market, giving a deceptive impression of abunated promotion of the worst type of dance. But, measured by that yardpicture-postcard art through the use of the Pre-Raphaelite label. On Tuesday, Christie's auction of Enstick. Canaletto is oot such a rarity glish drawings included a senti-The Straigm collection included one reasonably priced drawing. mental portrait of a woman in colfronically, it was probably the best ored chalks done in 1867 by Dante Gabriel Rossetti. The Latin rile, "Aspecta Meduof all. Fragonard's sketch in black

chalk and brown and gray wash, "A Bull Entering a Stall," is in the French master's impressionistic sa," well in time with the bterary inspiration of the Pre-Raphaelite movement, does not redeem the mediocrity of the drawing. It is creased and foxed, which hardly improves its appearance. But that did not prevent it from soaring to a crazy £24,840. There were some cellent study of a mound covered with grass made £480. The drawing other follies, such as the £9,720 paid for a watercolor landscape by Albert Goodwyn, who would have done a brisk trade in post office calendars had he lived in our time. At such a price it is still possible to buy many excellent drawings from the 17th to early 20th century.

In short, the art market balance, which was based on aesthetic achievement, has collapsed. New boyers have entered it en masse. comparatively moderate prices that Huet drawings have not gone up. were paid for several top lots. A Annesley, with his meaning gift for brilliant drawing by Giandomenico accurate forecasts, had given it a Tiepolo deserved a good deal more £320 to £430 estimate (including They are impressed by names and catalog entries and do not waste much time scrutinizing what they propose to buy. They might leave the market as promptly as they en-tered it, and they are making the market more volatile and unpredictable than it has been since





rarely seen works from the Buonarroo archives, in the Casa Buonarroti, which the artist bought in 1508. between proponents of the triangu-lar bastion, which included the pointed or starlike forms, and those who favored the circular bastion.

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gelo. In particular, there are 20

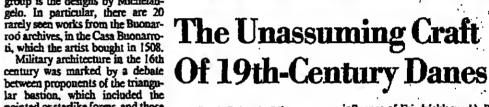
group is the designs by Michelan

Michelangelo preferred the former, Leonardo the latter. Perhaps the most interesting designs of the exhibition are two by Michelangelo on paper containing drawings of a male nude. This juxtaposition of the powerful, sinewy, moving lines of the human body with the rigid, geometric ones of the military towers is an involuntary comment on the state of the universe. The irony is best summed up in a letter display criticizing Michelangelo's designs as quite unsatisfactory and obviously the product of an artist, oot a practical

Casa Buonarroti, 9 A. M. to 2 P. M. weekdays, 9 A. M. to I P. M. weekends; clased Tuesdays.

Another dialogue of the beantiful and the practical is to be found in the exhibition "Giuliano Allegri: work of this young Florentine is the latest in a series of exhibitions on graphic art inspired by the successful one on Franco Maria Ricci car-

ly in 1983. Allegri, a follower of Stanley artists such as Giacomo Manzil. Vasarely and Graham Sutherland. considered the theme of the show. Some of the works appear in book form, such as the drawings of Fabrizio Clerici accompanying the poem "Le Bestiaire ou Cortège d'Orphée" by Guillaume Apolliand mystical. Berti believes. But the shown at the Hermitage in by Michelangelo in 1529 and still by Michela



By Michael Gibson onal Herald Tribune

banality of daily life.

There is another kind of painting woven out of the very thread of daily life and yet infused with a sort of mild, poetic warmth that suggests how everyday occurrences somehow partake of something be-

To borrow from J. R. R. Tolkien's "The Lord of the Rings," the Editor and Printer," through Jan. 6 first are the Aragorns and Gandalís at the Palazzo Mangani, 24 Via of our history, the magicians and Portigiani in nearby Fiesole. The high adventurers. The second are

category. It presents the sort of works one would be delighted to Hayter, has worked with Italian have hanging from one's walls, with artists such as Giacomo Manzil, a charming, unpretentious, rustic, Emilio Greco, Renato Guttuso and regional and slightly oostalgic spir-funico Baj as well as with Victor it that pleases the hobbit in each of us. There are almost 200 works, The delicate, vital rapport between including drawings, and they repre-lithographer and artist could be sent, in a mild, warm light, land-considered the theme of the show. scapes, scenes of daily life in Denmark and views of cities such as Rome and Paris, where the young

This is a straightforward form of realism, devoid of any of the striv-ing after the sublime that marked Danish art before 1800 and much art in the rest of Europe during the 19th century. It is devoid of the need to edify and is content to show the day-to-day charm of the world, it is consequently a remark-able record of the period, amusing in the scenes showing gatherings of Danish artists on the grand tour, assiduously puffing on their long pipes and thinking, no doubt, of the day they will have to leave the stantin Hansen), or enjoying them-(Ditley Conrad Blunck). A charming portrait of Blunck by his friend Wilhelm Bendz shows him, with a pipe clamped between his teeth and a red tasseled cap on his head.

ing he has been working on. The main fare is pretty landscapes, views of Rome, the Temples of Paestum and Paris; but there are also countless Danish scenes: the handsome Romanesque church of Kalundborg (Johan Thomas Lundbye), Frederiksborg Castle at various times of day (Christen Kobke), a romantic moonlight view of the chalk needle Sommerspiret on the island of Mon (Frederik Sodring). There are also numerous portraits (including one of Hans Christian Andersen, by Christian Albrecht

Jensen) and groups. This unassuming Nordic realism has no Vermeer or Caspar David Friedrich (although the Andersen portrait by Jensen does show the

influence of Friedrich's work). But it is full of a gently dreamy and nostalgic mood, surprising in the

first half of the 19th century. "L'age d'or de la peinture Danoise Grand Palais, through Feb. 25.

Also inspired by the art of the past, the work of Phillips Cognee tive blend of the allusive and the personal. His human figures are strongly monumental and reminiscent of figures out of Italian freshomes. It is not made to share the coes. They stand, oude, assembled in groups and facing the viewer, as though waiting for the Last Judg-ment. But there are also beasts that call to mind the illustrations for "Doctor Dolittle," also monumental but presented with a measure of affection and humor. In one painting they are clustered solicitously around a oude figure wearing a pitl helmet ("l'Explorateur"). Some of the canvases are surrounded with heavy bits of timber on which figures have been crudely carved and painted. The overall effect is quite

> "Philippe Cognée, Galerie Gillespie-Laage-Salomon, 24 rue Beau-

William Hayter, well-known as an engraver and the dean of those who teach this art in Paris, is pre-senting a number of recent paintings. The work he has shown in recent years has been abstract and dominated by patterns. These large paintings are nonrepresentational and done in bright, slightly astrin-

gent colors. "William Hayter," Galerie J. C. Riedel, 12 rue Guénégoud, through

China is only beginning to scratch the surface of what promises to be a fantastic store of artifacts. One recent find, the royus tombs of an obscure dynasty that ruled over the kingdom of Zhoogshan between the sixth and fifth golden light of Rome and return to centuries B. C., has yielded in in-their more austere climate (Cou-pressive array of bronze objects, on view at the Grand Palais under the selves in an inn of the Trastevere appropriate title "Zhongshan Tombs of the Forgotten Kings. (We are informed that they were not really kings at all but marqueses who decided to assume the

There are oumerous bronze ves: sels, a collection of bells (also 17): resented in a fresco reproduced on the wall of the exhibition half. some jewelry, animal figures, an attractive buman figure with a silver face, and a number of large brouze emblems, in the shape of a trident, that were used to signify the royal presence. They reportedly refer to the ideograms shong the middle) and shon (the mountain) but also call to mind the three points of the Asiatic shaman's bennet; these people were of "barbare

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Christian Kobke's view of a Frederiksborg castle tower.

PARIS — Some painting is ut-terly sublime. Van Eyck's "Mys-

tic Lamb," Memling's triptych in Bruges, the overwhelming Rembrandt in Kassel belong to this category, and such works carry with them a sense of adventure, as though a wind were blowing dawning of all days and is beaded we know not where. This admirable art is of a kind that most of us would not care to have in their

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The show of early 19th-century
Danish painting at the Grand Palais definitely belongs to the second called Expressionist painting.

bourg, through Jan. 12.

ian" origin and had only partly been assimilated by the Chinese

"Zhongshan: les Tombes des rois

ECONOMIC SCENE

Arthur F. Burns, at 80, Still Speaking His Mind

By LEONARD SILK New York Times Service

SATURDAY-SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22-23, 1984

EW YORK — Arthur F. Burns, the distinguished economist who serves as President Ronald Reagan's ambassador to West Germany, was back in Washing-ton this week for consultations. Mr. Burns, who is 30, reportedly is thinking of retiring after the Bonn economic summit meeting in May.
In an interview Tuesday, Mr. Burns would not comment on his

retirement plans because he said he had not "informed the president yet." Mr. Reagan may be rejuctant to let him go; Mr. Burns has become legendary in West Germany, as a scholar with a subtle and deep command of politics and diplomacy.

The Germans seem to have special regard for the aged, and Mr. Burns is held in the seet of the special regard for the aged, and Mr.

Burns is held in the sort of awe once accorded "der Alte." Konrad Adenauer, the Federal Republic's great postwar chancellor, and, among Americans, John J. McCloy, who served as high commissioner during the early postwar occu-pation. All three have been seen as father figures and

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Europe's economic problems are structural, not cyclical, he says.

stern teachers whose lessons had to be heeded. Mr. Burns, who served as chairman of the Council of Economic Advisers under President Dwight D. Eisenhower and chairman of the Federal Reserve Board under Presidents Richard M. Nixon, Gerald Ford and Jimmy Carter, started his career as a New Deal Democrat, shifted to the Republican Party under Mr. Eisenhower and is now a full-fledged Reagan conservative. He has been lecturing the Germans lately about their singuish

economic performance and the underlying reasons for it. No country," he said, quoting Han Fei, the Chinese philosopher, "is permanently strong, nor is any permanently weak."
He recalled his first visit to Europe in 1950, on sabbatical from

Columbia University, when, after spending some months in Britain, France and Switzerland, he moved on to Germany. "The first night there was sleepless, thanks to a construction crew working on the road outside my hotel in Frankfurt," he said. After resting the next day, he and his wife, Helen, took a walk and found, to their astonishment, masons "laying bricks under electric lights at 9 and 10 o'clock at night."

When he returned to the United States, he told business friends that "within a very few years, Germany will once again be the strongest industrial power in Europe," When they asked why, "I simply replied: "In contrast to most of Europe, the Germans

"This I cannot say any longer," he bluntly tells American and German audiences, He attributes lagging German productivity to the growth of the welfare state, with excessive outlays for unemployment, old age, sickness, disability, occupational safety, vocational guidance, child care, maternity care, housing, ailing indus-tries "and other vicissitudes of life."

E says he finds Europe suffering from a loss of economic dynamism, causing the number of jobs to stagnate. He says the two oil shocks of the 1970s had something to do with this, but contends that, "the major factors weakening the European economy originated within Europe itself." Between 1970 and 1983, he notes, the number of gainfully employed individuals in the United States increased by 22 million but "did

not budge" in Western Europe.

This, he says, is due primarily to the growth of government regulations adding to business costs and reducing the ability of business firms to respond to changing market conditions." In West Germany, for instance, establishing a new business requires applications for up to 150 approvals; moving a plant to e new location entails obtaining several hundred permits. In France, it normally takes two years to incorporate a business.

In Washington Tuesday, Mr. Burns said: "There is a bit of a recovery going on in Europe, but what I am getting at is that the European trouble is not cyclical—it's a structural decline. The loss of European dynamism is due not so much to fiscal and monetary policy as to a very rigid labor market, as well as to a burdensome tax system."

Ambassador Burns does not restrict his lectures to the Europe-(Continued on Page 11, Col. 1)

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Recent Instances of the Trouble Facing Leveraged Buyouts

Company	Principal Members Of Suyout Group	Date Announced	Amount (millions)	Date Terminated	Resson
Northwest Industries	Kelly, Briggs & Associ- ates, Oppenhaimer Strategic Investment	Sept. 20	\$1,100	••••	Although the deal has not been canceled, company says that the buyout group is having trouble obtaining financing
Divarsifoods Inc.	Allan & Company, Donald N. Smith, president, and other Diversifoods managars	Oct. 15	\$525	Nov. 21	Weak rasults in the Godfa- ther's Pizza division affec- tively scuttled tha deal
Ryan Homea	Rothschild Inc., Malcolm M. Prine, chairman, and other Ryan Homes officers	July 2	\$178	Oct. 5	No reason disclosed; possi- bly the difficulty in urranging financing and shareholder lawsuits to block the deal
Wackenhut Corporation	Merrill Lynch Capital Markets, Mr. & Mrs. George R. Wackenhut	June 26	\$93	Dec. 14	Inability to obtain financing

Banks Putting the Brakes on Leveraged Buyouts

By Fred R. Bleakley

New York Times Service
NEW YORK — Republicbank Dallas used to be one of the most active Southwest banks funneling money into the leveraged buyouts of corporations. But nowadays, when John R. Bunten, vice chairman of the bank, listens to someone present him with such written proposals he said he usually has

the same reaction: "I throw the piece of paper in the air and say, 'No way, adios, boys." Mr. Bunten is not alone among bankers in his ettitude, as the growing number of aborted leveraged buyonts in recent months makes clear. Washington's tougher stance on bank loan portfolios and the slowing U.S. economy have led bankers to put the brakes on the previously frenzied pace of leveraged

Bankers still look longingly at the high profit margins on these transactions, but they are now scrutinizing the proposals much more closely and insisting that investors put

up more of their own money.

In leveraged buyouts, e small group of investors, often including management, purchases a company, mostly with borrowed. funds. The debt is usually repaid from the company's cash flow, or from the sale of

Earlier this year the number of announced and then completed agreements was proliferating like spring dandelions. In the first nine out and drive up the stock price.

U.S. Orders

For Durables

Increase 8.3%

United Press International

durable goods - the most expen-

years, the government said Friday.

cluded. Without military business,

which runs independent of the

business cycle, orders would still have been up 3.3 percent.

New orders support factory em-

ployment and production in the months ahead together with the momentum of unfilled past orders.

The durables portion of factory or-

ders are a reliable guide to overall

demand, since they usually require

The unfilled orders grew by 0.6

percent in November, which was

doubly good news for manufactur-

ers who have felt the worst of the

"Those are good signs," said a White House spokesman, Marlin Fitzwater. "It gives us e bright hori-

zon" for future performance of the

economy.

New orders were worth \$104 bil-

lion in November after seasonal adjustment, or \$7.9 billion more than October.

\$346.3 billion at the end of the

month, \$1.9 billion more than the

Machinery orders went up 5 per-cent to \$33.2 billion but because of

setbacks in four of the previous live months were still 8.7 percent below their peak in May.

The report on durable-goods or-

ders was the best news about the

demand side of the economy since

an earlier report this month on re-tail sales showed the slump break-

ing there with a 1.8 percent increase in November.

Transportation equipment or-ders, mostly in the defense sector,

Shipments of manufactured du-

rable goods increased 1.6 percent or \$1.7 billion to a record \$102.1

Department analysts said the

November increase, at 8.3 percent, was the largest since the 8.5 percent in September 1980. The advance figures are likely to be revised when

the report on all factory orders,

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Unfilled orders were worth

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months, 76 buyout offers valued at \$27.9 billing were announced, compared with 27 valued at \$4.1 billion in the 1983 period, according to W.T. Grimm & Co.

Lately, bowever, there seem to be as many terminated or shaky leveraged-buyout plans as there are new ones. In the third quarter, 11 previously announced proposals, valued et \$7.9 billion, were abandoned. And in October alone, four leveraged buyout proposals were announced, and four pending ones were can-celed, including those for Ryan Homes and Southland Financial.

More recently, a \$525-million offer for Diversifoods was dropped and Northwest Industries informed its stockholders that the proposed \$1.1-billion leveraged buyout offer for their shares was in difficulty because of financing snags. And last week, Wackenhut company, said that an offer to take the company private through the leveraged route had been withdrawn because the buyout group

could not obtain the financing.

"The easiest part of doing a deal is announcing it," said Brian Little, partner in Forstmann, Little & Co., a private investment firm specializing in leveraged buyouts. With publicly owned companies, he explained, banks are usually not asked to consider a buyout until after a public announcement of an offer for fear that word might leak

The mounting number of enempts that cannot be financed is the result of e reassessment by bankers this summer and fall of leveraged buyout lending practices.

A crisis at the Continental Illinois Bank &

Trust Co. made everyone, especially bank regulators, more conscions of the quality of loans in a bank's portfolio. And when the chairman of the Securities and Exchange Commission, John S. R. Shad, and the chairman man of the Federal Reserve Board, Paul A. Volcker, made it clear early in the summer that they were alarmed at the trend in leveraged buyouts, the banks became even more

At the same time, the proposals were get-ting riskier. Bankers had felt more comfortable when most transactions were originated by leveraged buyout specialists who had pools of funds they were willing to invest, and who had a strong interest in protecting their equity investment. But this year, more and more investment banking firms competed to put the transactions together, for either a fee or a piece of the equity, without putting up any money themselves. And bankers became

In the Wackenhut arrangement, which was announced in late June, for example, Metrill Lynch, the investment banker, was to put up very little equity money, according to sources familiar with the proposal. Meanwhile, (Continued on Page 11, Col. 1)

er than in the same month last year,

Imports in the first 11 months

totaled 398.1 billion DM, 13 per-

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OPEC Proposal On Rules Meets With Skepticism

By Bob Hagerty ternational Herald Tribune

proposal far policing its wayward members amid widespread doubt over how and whether and doubt over how and whether and widespread doubt over bow and whether it would

Oil ministers from the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries recessed their winter meeting in consult with their governments scheduled to meet again next Thursday.

The ministers provided few details but said they were discussing means of auditing production and sales of crude and refined products by all 13 members to discourage the sales were motivated by commercial considerations and were

cheating on quotas and pricing. Even the ministers were cautious about prospects for success. "This could be a new step" for OPEC, said Belkacem Nabi, Algeria's oil

Simon Cowie, an analyst at Dean Witter Reynolds Inc. in New York, said the market was viewing OPEC's plan with skepticism. "Nobody takes it very seriously." Mr.
Cowie said. OPEC "has tried so
many times in the past to stop
cheating and it's never happened."

But the oil ministers insisted that
they make continue. The idea and \$27.50 many oil analysis doubt.

they were serious. The idea, said \$27.50, many oil analysts doubt Sheikh Ali Khalifa al-Sabah, oil OPEC can bring its other prices minister of Kuwaii, is to "create a into line with market reality withclimate in which the market would out a lower benchmark price.

think we would have a hell of a hard case in presenting our decisions to the market and to our own countries." he said.

will force spot prices upward.

"Pricing would be a minor is if we resolve" the problem of ch ons to the market and to our own ountries," he said.

Algeria's Mr. Nabi said the plan

Algeria's Mr. Nabi said the plan

could involve posting an outside auditor in each OPEC country to track production and sales. Sheikh ducers that do not belong to OPEC,

They again, bowever, cited the month. risk of a price war if OPEC failed to cooperate. "The biggest penalty is cooperate. "The biggest penalty is that countries that sacrifice will not sacrifice if others Imports in November totaled prices," Sheikh Khalifa said.

In the first three days of the meeting, the ministers failed to re-DM.

but 2.6 percent below October. NoIn the first 11 months, the cumulative surplus totaled 47.9 billion
DM, already overtaking the figure
November 1983 but 6 percent less
light and heavy crudes. Improved refining technology has made the cheaper heavy crudes more attractive in recent years, leaving the lights relatively overpriced.

But OPEC ministers seem resolved to preserve the largely sym-

promised to ship outsiders its 256 kilobit circuit in bulk and only re

"They're unproven in the com-

mercial market, whether it's mini-

computers or semiconductors," said Adam F. Cuhney, a vice presi-

dent et Salomon Brothers Inc., e

Wall Street firm. "Companies

won't commit to multiple-thou-

sand-unit orders from a company

that might not be able to deliver."

GENEVA — Oil traders reacted cautiously Friday to OPEC's new

LONDON — Large Kuwaiti sales of shares in several British oil companies this week have accentuated already nervous trading in oil

stocks, market sources said Friday. The sources said the sales, worth nn the surprise prnposal, announced Thursday night. They are more than £45 billion (\$39 billion). began Wednesday when the confer-ence of the Organization of Petro-leum Exporting Countries opened

not e case of "dumping" because of concern over the outcome of the OPEC conference or weak prices for Britain's North Sea oil. The sales reportedly included about 4 million shares of Shell U.K., 3 million of Britoil, 1.5 million of I.C. Gas and 1 million each of Lasmo and British Petroleum Co.

take our decisions seriously."

The ministers' hope appears to be that stricter adberence to bility was on the line, "If we fail, 1 OPEC's self-imposed production think we would have a hell of a ceiling of 16 million barrels a day

The state oil companies of Brit-

Ali Khalifa raised the possibility of allowing each country to choose an internationally reputable" audition before deciding whether or not to lower their prices.

"We could easily go to 31 De-The ministers did not answer the cember and probably into Januquestion of bow OPEC could con-vince its members to expose sensi-National Oil Corp. He said BNOC tive market information to outsid- had found buyers for "virtually all" of the oil it needs to sell next

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Economists said this year's trade 10.3 billion DM. WASHINGTON - Orders for cording to preliminary data issued

sive and longest-lasting products of U.S. factories —sourced 8.3 percent in November, the most in four Exports last month were 16 percent higher than a year earlier, boosting the trade surplus to 7 bilhon Deutsche marks (\$2.24 bil-lion), more than double the surplus The advance report on the orders was unexpectedly strong even if a bulge of military orders were exin November 1983, the Federal Sta-

tistics Office said. "The November figures exceed all our expectations," one Frank-

By Eric N. Berg

New York Times Service

be a breakthrough in the making of

computer memory, scientists et AT&T Bell Laboratories report

that they have perfected a one-mil-

lion-bit memory circuit that could be mass produced in about a year.

In an announcement Thursday night from a Bell Laboratories

Their chip is referred to in the

industry as a one-megabit dynamic RAM, or random-access memory.

store one million bits, or pieces of

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The new chip has four times the

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surplus would probably top the previous record of 51.3 billion DM, 38.01 billion DM, 7.4 percent highset in 1982, by at least 2 billion

DM, already overtaking the figure for all of 1983 of 42 billion DM. The current account - trade,

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9 billion DM. the same period last year, and ex-The current account showed a ports totaled 446 billion DM.

The data underlined the crucial

AT&T Says It Has Perfected Million-Bit Chip

wants to be a full-scale supplier of semiconductors, and earlier this year it began selling one of its 256kilnbit chips. "If they can product this new chip in mass quantities and sell it to others, it's worth a bunch," said

Lane Mason, a senior industry analyst at Dataquest Inc., a market-research firm in San Jose, Califor-about 100 pages of double-spaced AT&T ends discounts to holders reinvesting dividends. Page 11. He said revenues in the one plant in Allentown, Pennsylvania, the scientists said they had promegabit memory market would approach \$15 billion by the early duced the fingernail-sized chip af-

number of products, including computers, switchboards, electronter a year of development in which the tiny circuit was exposed to the rigors of both use and volume pro-

ic test equipment and appliances.

If it can produce its chip in bulk
in a year, AT & T would probably
be the first to do so, analysts said

1990s. The chips could be used in a

information can be placed in a single memory location. At e minimum. the chips would dramatically reduce the size of computers. For AT&T, financial success with the new chip, assuming that it is sold outside the company, will Thursday. Although others - most This designation means that it can notably. International Business turn on its ebility to produce flaw-

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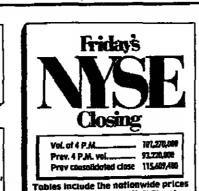
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change posted its third straight loss Friday, heading into a long holiday weekend on a downbeat note.

The Dow Jones average of 30 industrials, off more than 12 points at its lowest level of the day, closed with a 4.31 loss at 1,198.98. That trimmed the average's gain for the week to 23.07 Volume reached 101.27 million shares, up

After the close in New York, the Federal Reserve announced a cut in the discount rate

It remained an open question, however, how stock traders would respond to the news, since a reduction in the rate the Fed charges on loans to private financial institutions had been widely anticipated on Wall Street for several days. The markets will be open Monday before the Christmas holiday on Tuesday. But Wall Streeters expected many traders to be absent.

The financial community did have a lot of business to attend to as the week ended, with year-end tax maneuvering by investors and the expiration of a set of options contracts on

several market indexes. Stock trades included in complicated options strategies appeared to contribute to the wide

increased 8.3 percent in November, That was viewed as a fresh signal that the economy was regaining some momentum after its slowdown

Commodore International led the active list and fell 2 to 1814. A Wall Street analyst downgraded his rating of the stock, and the company said its North American sales of home computers were running behind expectations.

Utah Power & Light fell 1% to 22%. The

On the upside, Tidewater rose 21/2 to 221/4. The company said it had received an offer for its stock from a group led by Irwin Jacobs, a Minneapolis investor.

more than 3 to 2 on the Big Board, and the exchange's composite index lost .44 to 95.56. Nationwide turnover in NYSE-listed issues, including trades in those stocks on regional

exchanges and in the over-the-counter market, totaled 121.50 million shares. Standard & Poor's index of 400 industrials dropped .74 to 184.63, and S&P's 500-stock composite index was down .87 at 165.51.

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NEW YORK - The New York Stock Ex-

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Indeed, some got an early start on the weekend

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MELBOURNE - Broken Hill raw steel output. Pty. Co. said Friday that its group net income in the six months ended Nov. 30 rose to 341.5 Australian dollars (\$283.5 million) from 282.5

In a statement accompanying its earnings, however, the company said that increasing competition in all its business areas would make it difficult to maintain profitability at current levels.

The company said the improve-ment in the latest period reflected better results in all divisions, with the steel, oil and Utah Development Co. divisions the main contributors. Utah Development, ac-

quired from General Electric Co.
this year, earned 62 million dollars.
BHP said steel division earnings climbed to 71.9 million dollars from 51.1 million a year earlier, mainly because of higher domestic

Sime Darby Sees Higher Earnings

KUALA LUMPUR - Sime Darby BHD expects a group pretax profit of 195 million ringgits (\$81 million) for the year ending next June 30, up from 136 million ring-gits after adjusting for minority interest in 1983/84, the company said

The forecast excludes any profit that Sime makes from its proposed acquisition of United Estates Project BHD and Dunlop Malaysian Industries BHD

Concerning the United Estates proposal. Sime said property devel-opment is a core business for the

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sioning of new assets in Bass Strait.

A rise in interest expenses, to 129.5 million dollars from 48.5 million, was attributed to a higher average level of borrowings and a reduction of interest capitalized, to 7 million dollars from 22.5 million. But offsetting factors included the retirement of some debt and gener-

ally lower interest rates. BHP said its wholly owned subsidiary, John Lysaght (Australia) Ltd., earned 22.6 millioo dollars, up from 20.8 million, but experienced a decline in orders during the second quarter as the result of im-

port competition. Profit in the minerals division rose to 34.8 million dollars from 19.2 million a year earlier, BHP said. It said weaker iron ore and coal prices were offset by increased iron-ore shipments.

2 CPA Firms Plan Merger

DENVER - A tentative merger agreement has been reached between two national U.S. accountgroup but at present it has neither ing firms — Fox and Co. of Den-the specialist technical skills nor ver, and Alexander Grant & Co. of the management expertise to exploit the opportunity for an acquisition.

Chicago, Fox said Friday. Fox has about 1,500 employees, while Alexander Grant has about 2,500.

Broken Hill Pty. Reports AT&T Scraps Stockholder Discounts

percent discount offered to meant that AT&T was flush with change would not affect his deci-Oil division profit rose to 223.6 million dollars from 186.5 million dollars from 186.5 million dellars from 186.5 million their dividends to buy more AT&T needed to raise much money by the gain to higher crude oil sales would continue its practice of not dends. "Their cash flow is strong

enough that they don't need to give shareholders an inducement to reinvest dividends," according to Stepartiy offset by the effects of an excise levy on new oil produced after July 1 from the Fortescue Field in Bass Strait.

Would faise to 30,000 from \$3,000 the maximum amount of case, apart from dividends, that shareholders could send to AT&T each quarter to bny shares without pay ven G. Chrust, a senior analyst at Sanford C. Bernstein & Co., a Wall Street firm. The immediate effect of the changes on AT&T's financial posi-tion was unclear. Without the dis-

count, the company will now get full value for its shares. But the change could prompt some ordi-narily loyal AT&T stockholders to vestment and cash stock-purchase plans similar to those of other comleave the plan. panies. It said that only about 10 percent of the companies with divi-"The only reason we're in the dend reinvestment programs of plan is because of the discount," fered a discount, and that most according to James S. Martin, execcompanies permitted shareholders utive vice president of the College

sion to hold AT&T stock. About 30 percent of AT&T's 3.2 million shareholders participate in either the reinvestment plan or the cash purchase plan. In the quarter ended Sept. 30, the two plans raised \$95 million through the issue of 5.6 millioo shares.

Analysts said the changes could ny's history, a company statement be at least partly inspired by an AT&T desire to reduce the number Mazda reported total operating of small shareholders in the reinvestment plan. Many small holders participate in the program, and it is costly to AT&T to administer their small shareholders' holdings entirely, a number of the regional Bell

Mazda Reports Gain in Revenues

LOS ANGELES - Mazda Motor Corp. has reported operating revenues of \$5.8 million in fiscal year 1984, a 5-percent increase over revenues reported the previous

It was the ninth consecutive fiscal year that the antomobile manufacturer has posted an increase in revenues and income and reflected the highest figures in the compa-

Mazda reported total operating revenoes of \$5.845 million, up from \$5.569 million in fiscal 1983. locome before taxes and extraor-

dinary items was \$226.7 million, up accounts. In an effort to eliminate 22.8 percent from \$184.6 million reported in the previous fiscal year.

Mazda attributed its financial retelephone bolding companies have suits to strong sales of the 626-E offered to buy back the stock of series and B-series vehicles in overthose with fewer than 100 shares, seas markets, an upgraded model without charging them a brokerage mixture, increased parts sales and streamlined operations.

Reckitt & Coleman to Buy Ciba-Geigy's Airwick Group

London-based Reckitt & Coleman companies announced Friday.

The agreement is conditional on approval by Reckitt & Coleman hareholders and government officials in the various countries in which Airwick operates, the companies said.

The Airwick group, with sales of about \$280 million to 1983, represented Ciba-Geigy's major involvement in consumer products. Its principal markets have been North cent, and Italy, 9 percent. is selling most of Reckitt & Coleman, which oper-

BASEL, Switzerland - The products, foods and pharmaceuticals, had sales last year of about Group is to buy the Airwick Group from Ciba-Geigy Ltd. of Basel, rates. The purchase will increase its Switzerland's largest chemical company, for 500 million Swiss francs (\$192.3 million), the two joint announcement by the two companies.

Airwick, previously independent, was acquired by Ciba-Geigy in 1974 and employs 3,000 people

Pott Industries to Sell

ST. LOUIS, Missouri - Pott Industries Inc. said Friday its St. Louis and Caruthersville, Missouri. America, which accounts for 38 shipyards and related operations percent of group volume; France, are for sale. Pott is a subsidiary of with 15 percent; Germany, 15 per- Houston Natural Gas Corp., which is selling most of its coal and ma-

German-Led Group Wins China Pact

BELJING — A consortium led by Schloemann-Siemag has won a 1.4-billion-Deutsch-mark (\$452-million) contract to build a steel mill at Baoshan, near Shanghai, it was announced Friday.

The contract was won over competition from a Japanese consortium led by Mitsubishi Corp., industry sources said.

Schloemann-Siemag is now seeking a contract to supply a continuous-casting plant valued at around 800 million DM for the complex, according to Heinrich Weiss, chief executive officer of Guteholfnung-shutte Aktienverein, the Schloemann-Siemag parent company.

Consortium partners include German, French and Swiss companies, the China National Machinery and Equipment Import and Export Corp. and the China Metallurgical Import and Export Corp. Klaus Leifield, the consortium director, said the hot-strip mill would be the biggest in the world with an annual capacity of 4.6

The agreement contains clauses covering co-design work for parts of the plant between West German and Chinese engineers that includes considerable technology transfer, Mr. Weiss said. He said this was an important factor in winning the contract.

Mr. Leifield said Schloemann-Siemag would install a modern computer-management system in the mill, using International Business Machines Corp. computers. He said the computers would require clearance through the Western Coordinating Committee on Sensitive

COMPANY NOTES

ASEA AB of Sweden has woo a \$49-million contract to supply a high-voltage direct-current cooverter station to India's state-owned National Thermal Power Corp. The order is ASEA's largest-

Boeing Co.'s Boeing Computer Services unit said it has been awarded a \$200-million contract by the U.S. National Aeronautics and Space Administration to install and operate a telecommunications network at the Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville, Ala-

(Australia) Ltd. to acquire AWA's based near Detroit. wholly owned Queensland Television unit for 65 million Australian dollars (\$54 million).

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Costain Holdings Inc., is to pur-\$333 million in long-lead funds for chase a coal mining and marketing the production of 720 F-16 aircraft company. Industrial Fuels Corp., for the Air Force. from Midcon Corp. for around \$42 Bond Corp. Holdings said it has million. The price is equivalent to ly dividend to 65 cents a share from agreed with Amalgamated Wireless the net asset value of IFC, which is 61 cents, payable March 5 to hold-

Digital Equipment Corp. said it was filing a federal suit against C. lioh & Co. of America, charging it Bethlehem Steel Corp. said it with copying the external appear-filed with the U.S. Commerce De-partment and International Trade product. Digital said it would seek Commission an anti-dumping peti-tion covering carbon steel, hot-CIT-220-plus, removed from the

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Gillette Co. increased its quarterers of record on Feb. 1.

Gulf & Western Industries said it completed its \$71-a-share acquisition of Prentice-Hall Inc., the pub-

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net profit, before extraordinary gains, to rise to about \$95 million 1984 estimate excludes an extraor-

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> heed-Georgia Co. unii won a \$1.3billion contract to build eight addi-tional C-5B cargo aircraft for the U.S. Air Force in fiscal 1985,

Uniroyal Inc. said it sold its Malaysian natural rubber plantation company to Kumpulan Guthrie Sdn. Bhd. for about \$71 million plus an additional, undetermioed amount to be paid within four years. The company said it would contribute the initial payment to its employee pension plans.

United Technologies Corp.'s from \$47.6 million last year. The Pratt & Whitney Division was awarded a \$404.1-million Air dinary gain of \$203 million from the sale of oil properties in the United States.

Force contract to produce F100 engines, modules and related items for F-15 and F-16 fighter aircraft.

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Wang Reduces Earnings Goal

LOWELL, Massachusetts -Wang Laboratories Inc. said Friday that it expects earnings and sales growth in the second quarter ended Dec. 31 to be 20 percent, down from the earlier goal of 30 percent.

Earnings per share are now expected to be about 40 cents in the second quarter, compared with last year's 35 cents a share. The company said its business remains strong but delays in availability of new software

products have resulted in less growth than expected in the current quarter. Despite the delays. Wang said, volume shipments are expected to begin in January and continue during the second half

Debt Payments Said to Drain Latin Economies ployment and health, education interest payments, limiting such

By Juan de Onis Los Angeles Times Service SANTIAGO — Latin America's regional economy, drained of capi-

limped through a fourth consecutive year of depressed growth in 1984, according to the United Nations' Economic Commission. Enrique V. Iglesias, the regional commission's executive secretary, said Thursday that a survey had found an average 1984 growth rate of only 0.2 percent in the 19 coun-

tries in the region. -During the year, the report said, Latin American countries transferred abroad \$26.7 billion more than entered the region. Most of the region's \$360-billion debt.

out of the region to pay the debt under present terms is not compatible with a resumption of satisfactory growth," Mr. Iglesias said.

The report said the production of goods and services, which determines living standards, was 9 percent lower this year than in 1980. The nations of the region made a major effort to increase exports to

generate revenue for debt service. That effort produced a positive bal-ance of payments of \$7.5 billion. But that was not enough to cover the full cost of capital transfers abroad, which totaled \$37.3 billion.

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The typical leveraged loan is priced at about two and one-half

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Mr. Iglesias said toterest payments on foreign debt were con- paid this year. suming 3 percent to 10 percent of the total value of goods and ser-vices produced to Latin American countries. He called for Latin American debtors and the major industrialized creditor govern-ments to negotiate changes in bow the debt is paid, placing more em-phasis on slimulating development.

Latin American finance minis-ters have scheduled a meeting in The region's lack of growth is not that informal negotiations with the can countries would have to reduce acceptable. Mr. Iglesias said, be- industrialized countries begin on

The commission's report sug-

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The commission also proposed expanded funding for development investments in Latin America by the World Bank, Inter-American Development Bank and other multilateral lending sources. Such ex-pansion would offer long-term loans that would offset the recent reduction of lending to the region by private international banks.

Mr. Iglesias said that foreign prithe Dominican Republic in Febru- vate investment also should play a ary. They are expected to propose larger part. He said Latin Ameriinflation, which drove up prices an average of 165 percent in the region "mtil the causes of the tragic inci-this year, to attract private inves-dent are fully understood," Union

Union Carbide Sets U.S. Layoffs

DANBURY, Connecticut Union Carbide Corp. said Friday il would lay off 33 workers Saturday and 27 more next week at its Woodbtoe, Georgia, insecticide plant because methyl isocyanate production has been suspended.

Union Carbide suspended the roduction and shipments of methisocyanate from its Institute, West Virginia, plant after the lethal gas leaked from a similar plant in Bhopal, India, Dec. 3, killing more than 2,250 people and tojuring

thousands more. Production will not be resumed

Carbide officials said.

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Lenders Are Looking Twice at Leveraged Buyouts

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Wackenhut management, including the company's founder, George

Wackenhut, would have bought into the new private company alargely with the proceeds of the leveraged buyout financing they received for turning in their public funds waster company and page 9)

more equity from the buyont to throw money ioto leveraged buyouts is great. At one major bank, the head of leveraged lending, who asked not to be identified, said he was already seeing some weakening of this new-found resolve among other bankers.

For many bankers the caution for the buyont to throw money ioto leveraged cost of funds, he said. In comparison, the spread on higher quality credits, the kind every bank wants and which are harder to come by these days, is about one-quarter to solve among other bankers.

For many bankers the caution readed in late summer and lasted the result trains to exceed the people trains to exceed the leveraged buyout financing they re-ceived for turning in their public shares. Metrill Lynch officials who worked on the effort were unavailable for comment.

in general, the frothy leveraged buyout market in the first half of this year led many bankers to the same conclusion as George Vojta, executive vice president of the Bankers Trust Co. "The market had moved away from our comfort · level." he said.

drew during the summer, experts in the field say. Manufacturers Hanobank goes through the same exerver is said to have since come back cise on an 18 percent to 20 percent mto the market in a big way, but with stricter standards. Officials at

"The banks are not out of LBO
business, but they are definitely tougher," said Carl Ferenbach, managing director of Thomas H.

Let & Co., a small investment banking firm that recently raised be able to cover all of the debt.

Se8 million for a fund that will Jeffrey P. Beck, director of mergers and scrutisticus for Comenheimer.

invest in leveraged buyouts. Bankers, be said, are "asking for & Co., which beloed arrange the more evidence that credits are proposal, declined to comment. Sound. They want to see better coverage and better asset support for tain their tougher stance, however. their loans. And they want to see is open to question. The temptation

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Arthur Burns Still Lecturing

To his own government on subjects ranging from the budget deficit, on which he wants more forceful action from the administration, to desline wants to be administration, to desline wants to be a subject of Mikhail S. Gorbachov, the Soviet Union's second-in-command, to avert the transfer of the arms

dealing with the Russians, where be favors less confrontation. His advice to his own government is usually confident of the residual of the re ally consideratial but sometimes allies, are "to a state of flux."

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funds must come from subordinatnine level and from equity investors, who may add amounts in other sectors, the attractive ranging from 1 percent to 10 percent of the total.

Some banks pulled back in this field earlier than others. At Chase Manhattan, James H. Carey, executive vice president, said that a more cautious approach had been adopted early this year. Previously, Other banks, such as Manufacturers Hanover Trust, which had been one of the most active leveraged buyout bank lenders, with ments if rates rose as high as 15 percent to 18 percent. Now the summer, experts in percent to 18 percent. Now the same exer-

Mr. Carey said his bank declined the bank were unavailable for com- to participate as a lender in the Northwest Industries financing beand acquisitions for Oppenheimer

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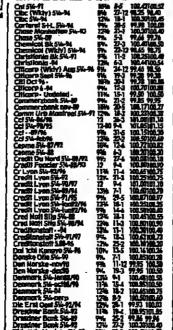
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Mr. Burns, the old business-cycle theorist turned diplomat, thinks

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did not grow up in the kind of leisurely squirearchi-

cal world she wrote about. Her father was a doctor

who converted to homeopathy and spent much of his career doing battle with his former colleagues— "our friends, the enemy." Her mother, the daughter of a wonderfully irascible Welshman, was his sec-ond wife. After his death she quarreled with her

stepchildren and tyrannized her own children; after

her death, Ivy, her oldest daughter, took over the role of tyrant, until her four younger sisters fled. Two of them committed snicide together not long

Ivy oever tried to wield that kind of ugly domestic

power again, although she was to study it and

ponder its consequences throughout her career. She

was also to be left inconsolable after the death of her

brothers, both of whom she adored. One died of

influenza: the other, a promising Cambridge histo-rian, was killed during World War I. After his death, she fell into "a lifeless stagnation;" if she emerged

from it, it was chiefly thanks to a new friend,

Margaret Jourdain, who moved in to share her flat

in 1919. The two of them were to live together until

Spuring is equally enlightening on Ivy's debt to Samuel Butler, whose influence was second only to

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I VY Compton-Burnett is well-known — though not as well-known as she should be — for the remarkable series of novels she wrote between the mid-1920s and her death in 1969, "Pastors and Masters," "A House and Its Head," "Elders and Betters," "A Father and His Fate"—the titles alone are enough to suggest how distinctive her work was. All good oovelists are unique, but some are more unique than others; and Ivy Comptoo-Burnett was utterly unlike anyone else. It is one of the great merits of Hilary Spurling's hiography that it does so much to explain why.

IVY: The Life of L. Compton-Burnett

By Hilary Spurling, 621 pp. Illustrated, \$22.95.

A Compton-Burnett novel (there are about 20 of them) generally takes place in a country house at some unspecified date before World War L Her characters beloog to ingrown families, usually with a reigning tyrant and almost always with crimes and ssions to cooceal; if you thed to summarize the plots, her books would sound like the stagiest Victorian melodramas. What the summaries would

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leave out would be the brilliant dialogue, the ruthless insight, the stylized black comedy that generates its own kind of poetry. To her early readers, Ivy Compton-Burnett was a

mysterious figure. In later life, thanks chiefly to the photographers, a clear image of her became fixed in the public mind — a forbidding grande dame, dressed in black, with the flinty features of a Victorian headmistress. But the image did nothing to dispel the essential enigma, and she remained as reserved and impenetrable as ever. An inveterate gossip about other people's affairs, she saw to it that even close friends learned very little of her own personal history. When she died, almost the only private papers she left were a few appointment diaries she kept in a shoebox.

Given the sparse documentation, and given how remote the world in which Ivy grew up has become. Sputing's hiography would be a brilliant achievement considered purely as a piece of detective work. But Spurling, who has also written a handbook to the novels of Anthony Powell, is no less adept at delineating character and evoking atmosphere than she is at following up clues.

Solution to Last Week's Puzzle

As she grew older, Ivy grew steadily more formi-dable. The wife of the French ambassador in London, having undergone lunch with her, could only compare the experience with that of lunching with General de Gaulle. "Ce n'est pas facile."

Here and there, Spurling seems to me to overrate lyy Compton-Burnett's powers as a moralist, and

she does not allow quite enough for the strain of pure malice in her makeup. But these are pardon-able faults in a hiographer, and "Ivy" remains an enthralling book, one of the finest literary biographies of recent years.

John Gross is on the staff of The New York Times.

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Spanish Price Index Rose 0.5% in November

MADRID — Spain's consumer price index rose 0.5 percent in November after an 0.6-percent rise in October and a 1-percent increase in November last year, according to preliminary figures from the National Statistics Institute.

The November gain brings the year-to-year rate to 10 percent, compared with an October rise of 10.5 percent. The government has set its inflation target for the year

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Austrians Finish 1-2-3 In Women's Downhill

SANTA CATERINA VAL-FURVA, Italy - Elisabeth mary. Kirchler on Friday led a sweep by Austrian skiers of the first three positions in a World Cup women's

downhill race. Kirchler flashed down the 2.18kilometer Cevedale course in 1 minute, 24.60 seconds. She edged teammates Veronika Vizthum and Katrin Gutensolm by 0.19 and 0.28

Michela Figini of Switzerland, the Olympic downhill champion, was fourth, 0.45 seconds behind the

It was the third career World ahead of Marina Kiehl of West Germany, who was 0.64 seconds behind Kirchler. Another Austrian, Sigrid Wolf, was seventh in 1:25.32.

France's Catherine Quittet was eighth in 1:25:35 ahead of another 57. Anstrian, Veronika Wallinger, who A Anstrian, Veronika Wallinger, who was timed in 1:25.40. Laurie Gra- World Cup points list with 50 and ham of Canada finished 10th.

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Championships will be held in Feb-

The victory moved Kirchler into second place in the overall cup standings, with 70 points. Kiehl holds the lead with 88 points in cight can races

In St. Moritz, Switzerland, Geir Andersen of Norway stalked West German Hnbert Schwarz for most of a 15-kilometer race Friday before passing him with a half-kilometer remaining to win his second consecutive Nordic combined World Cup ski meet.

Andersen, the 1984 world junior

championships titlist who also Cup victory for Kirchler.

A fourth Austrian, Sieglinde slavia, compiled 419.1 points to Winkler, finished fifth in 1:25.19, 417.3 for Schwarz Thomas Mueller of West Germany finished third with 414.21. Schwarz had taken the 70-meter

ski jumping portion of the two-day meet Thursday and started nearly two minutes ahead of the field of

Schwarz is second with 40. Mueller The race, the last of the year, was is third, Hallstein Boegseth of Norheld in clear weather down the way fourth and Uwe Dotzauer of same course where the women's East Germany fifth. (AP, UPI)

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Elisabeth Kirchler is held aloft by Katrin Gutensohn, left, and Veronika Vizthum after the World Cup downhill event.

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A Wild-Card Round of Recent Losers

The Los Angeles Raiders looked have a decent shot at beating the terrible last Sunday in losing to the Rams if they control running back Pittsburgh Steelers, a loss that cost Eric Dickerson. them the home-field advantage to Scattle for Saturday's National Football League wild-card game. The New York Giants looked terrible last September in losing to

NFL PLAYOFFS

they will play in Sunday's NFL wild-card game. But coaches John Robinson of son, "we've the Rams and Chuck Knox of Seat-

tle are not chortling over the pros-pect of playing either team. Espe-cially since, like the Raiders and Giants, their teams also lost their

The game between the 12-4 Seahawks and the 11-5 Raiders will be their sixth in two years. Last year the Seahawks won the two regularsesson contests, then lost to the Raiders, 30-14, in the American Football Conference championship; this season, the Raiders won 28-14 at home, then lost to the Seahawks, 17-14, in Seattle.

Seattle is still recovering from a 34-14 loss at home to the Denver Broncos last Saturday that cost the AFC West championship and a first-round bye. It was their only oss at home this season.

They got a break Sunday when the Raiders' loss to the Steelers meant the wild-card game would be played in Seattle's Kingdome but it's a break that doesn't soothe the concerns of quarterhack Dave Krieg, whose 32 touchdown passes were a Seattle record.

"I knew we were going to play the Raiders either here or there," he said. "I'm happy it will be up here, hnt it doesn't wipe away what hap-pened against Denver."

The defending Soper Bowl champion Raiders, meanwhile, have made a switch that may be designed to offset the Kingdome crowd — inserting Jim Plunkett at quarterback in place of Marc Wilson. Plunkett began the season as the starter until a rib injury forced him to the sidelines and Wilson "I feel Jim's experience is vital,"

Coach Tom Flores said of Plunkett, who quarterbacked the team in its 1980 and 1983 Super Bowl vic-tories. "I just feel, at this stage, he would be the best to go with even though he is still a little rusty." The Giants go into Anaheim, California, from a game almost as

bad as their loss to the Rams - a 10-3 defeat by New Odeans that they played knowing it couldn't affect their playoff chances, win or season for Stanford in 1971.

They also go in knowing they linebacker coach, said: "Every-victories over Dallas and a 37-13 have a decent shot at beating the body's got to play defense. If one trouncing of Washington, the NFC guy breaks down, Dickerson will find the crease."

"The guy is playing superhuman football," the Giants coach, Bill Parcells, said of Dickerson, who's 2.105 yards were a single-season rushing record.

Parcells, whose specialty is de-fense and who has figured out ways the Los Angeles Rams, the team to stop John Riggins of Washingthey will play in Sunday's NFL wild-card game. to stop John Riggins of Washington and Neil Lomax of St. Louis this year, said that against Dicker-"we've got one little deal we're

But Bill Belichick, the Giants'

The Rams, meanwhile, may look to exploit what may be the Giants'

vulnerability - injuries to cornerback Mark Haynes and guard Billy Ard that have forced some juggling in the secondary and offensive line.

William Roberts, a starter earlier this season, moves in at tackle, while Brad Benson moves to Ard's guard spot and Kenny Daniel, a refugee from the U.S. Fontball League, will replace Haynes. But Robinson is taking nothing for granted, citing the Giants' two

against their peers, they're better than Dallas. They did lose to some

teams they shouldn't have." (Harrah's Reno Race & Sports Book has made Seattle a 2-point favorite over the Los Angeles Raiders, and the Los Angeles Rams a 4½-point favorite over the New York Giants.)

East champion, as examples of

"The Giants over the course of

the season have beaten some of the

league's elite teams," he says.

"Judgiog from what they did

New York's resilience.

Plunkett: Experience Outweighs Age

By Rich Tosches United Press International

LOS ANGELES — Jim Plunkett

I'll give it everything I have,

is so old, people joke, that when he
went to school they didn't have

'You can bet on that Plunkett

You can bet on that Plunkett history. They say you can best de- has built a much-deserved reputa- Year when he recovered from 1979

once again counting on his ability the marginal athletes from the back and again led the Raiders to to produce under pressure despite a 10-week absence as starting signal-

Marc Wilson, who replaced the injured Plunkett six games into the season and stayed in the lineup for two and a half months, retains the title be's held for three years: quar-

terback of the foture.
Plunkent has been in virtually everything before. The Rose Bowl in 1971. New England for five seasons. San Francisco for two more. Two Super Bowls. His hospital

stays have been legendary.
In his 14th NFL season, after leading the Raiders to a 5-1 start, he went down with severe injuries to his abdominal muscles and hip. Wilson, the former Brigham Young star with the \$800,000-a-year con-tract, stepped in and, with the ex-ception of a brilliant showing in a victory over the Miami Dolphins, did oot turn in star performances, as the Raiders finished with an 11-5 record and a wild-card berth in the

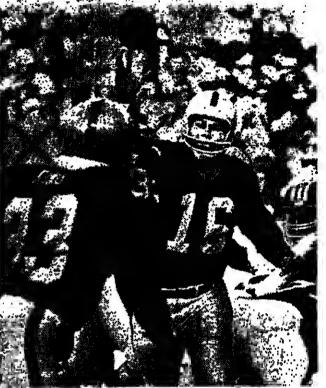
playoffs,
Plunkett has played only sparingly in the last two games and he
did not look particularly sharp in either appearance, But the Raiders are counting on his vast experience to guide them back to the Super Bowl at Stanford Stadium in Palo Alto on Jan. 20, where Plunkett would be making his first appearance since his Heisman Trophy

"Jim said, There's oo question l spirit. He'll never give up. A lot of want to play. I know I'm rusty, but I'll give it everything I have, "CoaThe record supports Easley.

great ones, that great competitive victory in the Super Bowl.

h Tom Flores recalled.
You can bet on that Plunkett NFL's Comeback Player of the history. They say you can best determine his age out with a birth certificate but by cutting off a leg and counting the rings.

But the 37-year-old quarterback has other rings, too. Super Bowl rings. The Los Angeles Raiders and in the NFL. That's what separates in the NFL. That's what separates has back and again led the Raiders to a super Bowl victory over Philadelphia. Last season, Plunkett was benched early, but wheo Wilson went out with a shoulder injury in his third start. Plunkett came in the NFL. That's what separates



Jim Plunkett in action in last season's Super Bowl.

Bengals, Oilers Get 2 in Draft's

NEW YORK - The Houston Oilers and Cincinnati Bengals each will have two firstround picks in the National Football League's annual college draft April 30. New Orleans and Seattle will have none

The Oilers, who finished the 1984 season with a 3-13 record, have the second pick in the round, behind the Buffalo Bills. whose 2-14 record was the

Houston also has New Orleans' first-round pick, No. 11 overall, as a result of the trade that sent running back Earl Campbell to the Saints.

The Bengals (8-8) have their own pick, No. 13, plus Seattle's choice in the first round, the completion of a 1983 trade in which the Seahawks acquired center Blair Bush. The pick number that Cincinnati gets depends on how the Seahawks

fare in the playoffs.

In determining the draft order, ties are broken by employing the oppositions' composite records. Thus, Houston picks second and Minnesota, also 3-13, is third because the Oilers opponents had a weaker per-centage, .512, compared to the combined .533 mark of the teams which played the Vi-

kings. The first-round draft order for nonplayoff teams after Minnesota is: Atlanta, Indianapolis, Detroit, Cleveland, Tampa lis, Detroit, Cleveland, Tampa
Bay, Philadelphia, New York
Jets, Houston from New Orleans, San Diego, Cincimati,
Green Bay, Kansas City New
England, Dallas and St. Louis.
The order of the playoff
teams — Pittsburgh, New York Giants, Chicago, Los Angeles Rams, Washington, Los Ange-les Raiders, Seattle (whose pick will be made by Cincinnati). Denver, Miami and San Francisco - will be determined by how well the clubs do in postseason play.

The Super Bowl champion always drafts 28th — last and the Super Bowl loser 27th.

Platini to Enter Legion of Honor

PARIS - Michel Platini is to be made a Chevalier of the Legion of Honor, it was announced Friday. Platini, who plays for Juventus in the Italian First Division, led the French team to its first European championship earlier this year. The Legion of Honour is France's highest civilian award, with Chevalier the lowest rank.

Bulls Nip Hawks in Double Overtime Mike Fratello, Atlanta's coach, during the first overtime before

The Associated Press NEW ORLEANS - Michael Jordan has been the shooting star for the Chicago Bulls this season, and he was again Thursday night. But it was Wes Matthews who saved the game.

Jordan scored 34 points to help the Bulls down the Atlanta Hawks,

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132-129, in double overtime, But game wouldn't have gone that far without Matthews. With Atlanta leading 121-118, Matthews hit a three-point shot with three seconds left to force the game into double overtime.

"We just got all of our threepoint shooters into the game and let them go," Chicago's coach, Kevin Loughery, said of his last-second strategy.

In other National Basketball Association games, it was Utah 117, Detroit 116; Kansas City 118, Portland 113, and New York 112, Cleveland 97.

Jordan, who had just six points at halftime, connected on a stuff to give Chicago a 127-125 lead with three minutes left, then followed with a driving lay-up to give the Bulls a four-point lead.

"I did get off to a slow start,"
Jordan said. "But I was passing to the big guys."

said he was impressed with Jordan, fouling out with 1:09 left.
but said he thought the rookie got a "I played a good game, but I little help from the officials.

"I don't mind if guys earn their and won the game," he said.

Quintin Dailey scored 26 for points. I don't like when yoo give them their points," Fratello said.

Quintin Dancy scored wilkins cored 26 for Atlanta. Glean Rivers scored 30 points

The game was played in New Orleans, where the Hawks will play

would rather have scored 10 points

45 seconds left in regulation sent 12 times this season. This was Atthe game into overtime tied 105- lanta's fourth game of the year in 105. He kept Atlanta in the game New Orleans.

Canadiens and Capitals in Tie

MONTREAL - Five strong minutes in the first period was enough to buy time for the Montre-

The Canadiens escaped a fiveminute power play in the first peri-

NHL FOCUS

od Thursday night and Pierre Mon-dou and Guy Carbonneau scored in the third period to force a 2-2 tie with the Washington Capitals. The Capitals scored their goals

in the first 3:40, outshooting the Canadiens 16-6 in the opening peri-od. But Montreal killed a major penalty to Chris Nilan after the Montreal enforcer was sent to the box at 11:41 for spearing Timo

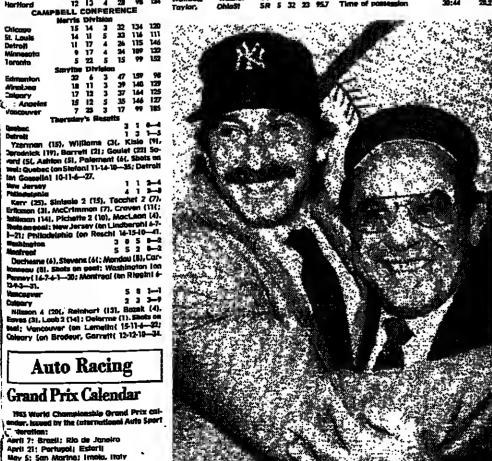
The tie extended the Capitals' undefeated streak to seven (5-0-2). Washington moved into a firstplace tie with Philadelphia in the Patrick Divisioo. Montreal has won just once in its last five games. lo other National Hockey League games, it was Detroit 5, Quebec 4; Philadelphia 8, New Jer-sey 4, and Calgary 9, Vancouver 1. Montreal's goaltender. Steve Penney, was outstanding during the power play in the first period. One of his kick saves came oo a

Veitch. "Penney kept them in the game," Coach Bryan Murray of the Capi-tals said. "I guess the turning point occurred in the first period when we did not score during that liveminute penalty.

booming slapshot hy Darren



Tim Kerr of the Flyers (12) and Bob Lorimer of the Devils tumble to the ice after Kerr scored past goalie Glenn Resch. Philadelphia won, 8-4, ending a four-game losing streak.



BERRA AND BERRA — Yogi Berra, Hall of Famer and manager of the New York Yankees, with his son, Dale, who



outfielder Steve Kemp, infielder Tim Foli and \$800,000.

was traded to the Yankees from the Pittsburgh Pirates. Dale Berra, an infielder, was traded Thursday, along with Alphonso Pulido, pitcher, and Jay Buhner, outfielder, for

First Round The Associated Press

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TEXAS—Signed Burt Hoofon, Ditcher, to a
two-year contract. Announced they would not
offer Odell Jones, pitcher, a contract for the
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BASKETBALL Mattened Bestatheall Association
CLEVELAND—Placed Edger Janes, forword, on the injured reserved list. Staned Kevin Williams, sword, to a 10-day contract.
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DALLAS—Signed Gory Hoseboom, quarterbacks of three-year contract.

ferback, in a firme-year contract.
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resignation of Joe Singleton, athletic director.
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JAMES MADISON—Named Joe Pursycus head technal couch, SCOTTEDALE COMM. COLLEGE—Remed Art Backer athletic director. SENIOR BOWL—Housed Ferrest Gress had cooch of the South form. Named Bob Scheeker, Dick Modzelesski, Lew Corpenter, Virusi Knight, Herb Paterra, Chuck Priater, Kam Riley, Generoe Serick and Jerry Priater. Kam Riley, Generoe Serick and Jerry Paters.

The Passing Parade

WASHINGTON—I was driving down the highway the other and sister and their kids are also coming."

"It's not just me. My brother-in-law and sister and their kids are also coming."

"I'm glad they're going to he radio from the man in the car behind me.

"Come on, Chicken Little, speed it up. If you can't drive, get the hell off the road," he said. "It might interest you to know

that I am within the established speed limit as posted along this U.S. high-

way."
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hour speed limit anymore," he That's where Buchwald ynu're wrong. There are many God-fearing citizens who still observe the law of the land. It is

people like you whn are a menace to society. "Get out of the left lane so I can pass you, you numbskull."

"If I did that, sir, you would only start speeding and I would become an accessory to a crime. Why are you in such a hurry to get to your destination anyway?" I asked him "What husiness is that of

"I'm curinus to know what you're going to do with all the time you save going 20 miles an hour faster than I." "I'm trying to get to Culpeper,

Virginia, to have dinner with my "What kind of mother dn you have who won't give you dinner if you arrive 12 minutes late?"

4 Rockwell Drawings Returned by Attorney United Press International

AUGUSTA, Maine — The case of Maine's four missing Norman Rockwell drawings is over, although the mystery is far from

The "Four Seasons" drawings were purchased by the state in 1962 to help promote Maine tourism. At the time, they cost \$1,800 each. They mysteriously disappeared, but were returned Wednesday by an unidentified attorney.

there," I told him. "You don't even know my brother-in-law and sister."

"I'm just happy your mother won't be alone when they come for her, after you hit the wall at 80

miles an hour." "How do you know I'm going to do 80 miles an hour?" "From the make of your car.

People don't buy sports cars unless they can do 80 miles an hour. I never trust anyone who drives an automobile with only two seats. He tends to be spoiled by his mother." "What does my mother have to do with your hogging the left

"I'm not just thinking of your mother, but of all the mothers who will suffer because of your disregard for the speeding laws. If it were only your life I wouldn't he concerned how fast you drive. But somewhere up ahead is an innocent family, probably going home for Christmas, and I want them in get there in one piece."

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"It's not the people who drive fast, but idiots like you who cause accidents on the highways," he ehouted.

"Statistics show that the 55-mile speed limit has lowered the death rate by more than 15 percent, Good heavens, man, if you don't care for yourself you could have some regard for the insurance companies. They have mothers, too." "Pull over to the side of the road

and we can discuss this like men." "I know that trick, I'm wearing a safety belt and I can see in the mirror you're not. You'll probably start beating up on me before I can get mine unbuckled."

"One more time, will you pull out of the left lane so I can pass you?"
"I would, except that I could

never enjoy my holidays if some-thing happened to that lovely family up ahead. But I'll do you a "What's that?"

"If you give me your mother's number in Culpeper, I'll call her up on my cellular phone and ask her to hold up dinner until you get there."



Kin Jing Mark transforms a lump of dough into 2,048 strands of thin noodles.

Chinese Noodles: A Thin Throwback

By Nancy Jenkins New York Times Service

FW YORK — Kin Jing Mark, pale, slender and genial in a bright red chef's jacket with shining black buttons, stands behind the counter in the demonstration kitchen at Peter Kump's New York Cooking School, smiling slightly at the class of six students of Chinese cuisine. His lnng hands move deftly over a large pastry cloth mound-

Mark is one of the few masters of the ancient Chinese art of noodle stretching called *lai mien* or "pulled noodles." As far as anyone knows, he is the only such master in New York, and perhaps the only one in the United States.

Certainly he must be one of the few U.S. citizens who has ever managed in perfect the difficult technique, which, in the space of 15 minutes, transforms a sticky, gelatinous lump of common flour-and-water dough into 2,048 strands of the thinnest noodles imaginable. noodles so fine they make angel-hair pasta look like run-of-the-mill spaghetti. To watch him as he swings the noodles and stretches them, doubles them and swings them again, is to watch a Baryshnikov of noodle makers, or perhaps the world's champion lasso artist.

"These are called long so mien, dragon's beard noodles," says Rosa Ross, the Chinese cooking teacher who has brought Mark to her 'Long' means dragon and 'mien' means wheat noodles. They are deep-fried and served rolled in a pancake as an appetizer. It's an elegant, oobleman's dish, one the emperor was very fond of. But the dough is very simple, very common, three cups of flour, one and a half cups of cold water, a pinch of salt and a pinch of bicarbonate of

Mark takes the dough from a Tupperware

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container and rolls it into a long sausage. There's no secret to it," he says quietly. "It just happens, many, many times." Rapidly, frowning slightly in concentration, he swings the dough to knead it, bounces it like a rope, doubles it and less it fall into a gracefully spinning spiral, then repeats the process again and again, occasionally dipping the rope in water to keep it from sticking.

He throws the long rope of dough on the table. "One noodle now," he says, and throws flour over it, pulls it and doubles it. "Two noodles now," he says. Suddenly, he swings into action, so rapidly it is hard for the eye to follow, doubling the strands and stretching, his eyebrows lifting with the effort, flinging his arms as gracefully as a dancer's extension. "It's like watching the Dying Swan," a smdent murmurs.

Eleven times he stretches the noodles. As quickly as the performance began, it is done, and 2,048 perishingly thin strands lie like harp strings on the lable top. Mark looks up, a broad smile spreading across his amiable features. Not a single strand has broken. The rest is easy.

The noodles are rapidly deep-fried in boil-ing oil, lightly sprinkled with salt and served wrapped in a thin Beijing-style pancake. "Part of the appreciation of Chinese cuisine is not just the combination of flavors," says Ross, "but the marriage of different textures. Some things were eaten not because they were tasty in themselves, but because of the pleasing texture."

Mark came to the United States from his native Hong Kong in the early 1960s when he was a 19-year-old student. His family had opened a restaurant. Dragon Hause, in Wildwood, New Jersey, and there, under the tute-lage of his father and an older brother, he began to learn how to cook. He says he

learned the different styles of Chinese cuisine from working in many different restaurants in New York City. Now, in addition to the family restaurant, he works at the China Institute, teaching 25 students in a 20-week, U. S. government-financed program to train Chinese immigrants to become cooks.

"I learned how to make these noodles from three Beijing chefs who came here to New York three years ago to give a demonstra-tion," he said. "I went to watch them." "And you learned from that?" he was

"Yeceanh," he said, smiling broadly.
"It's exactly like here," he said, indicating the kitchen of the cooking school. "They told me the recipe, I wrote it down, and then I practiced. Practice and think.

"Every time I go to work from my house, sit on the bus and think about it. Think! Think! If you don't think, practice is no good." It took him three months to develop the technique. "I taught myself. That's why anybody can learn it." Mark said he would he willing to teach others who are interested or give a demonstration of the technique.

Though the art of lai mien is dying, even in China, there was a time when every cook and housewife made noodles this way, although the end result was nowhere near as fine as the ones Mark makes. It is essentially a oorthern style, from the wheat-eating provinces of Hebei and Shandong.

"Asian culture is one where you spend lots. of time working with your hands to create a thing of beauty," Ross said, "but the tech-nique of doubling and stretching was perfected by the master chefs." Now, as in Italy, few people have time for the handmade product and noodles are made by machine. As with Italian pasta, the difference between machine-made and handmade is subtle, but for the discriminating taste, it is clearly there.

PEOPLE

Bantam Signs Ferraro

Ferrare has signed a contract with Bantam Books, reportedly for about \$1 million, for her memoirs. In an 11-hour phone auctioo among 10 publishers, the former Democratic vice presidential candidate assigned world publication rights to the New York company, including paperback rights, all newspaper and magazine rights, both pre-publication and post-publication, and all book club and forcign translation rights. The book is scheduled be published oext fall. There is no working title yet, said Esther Newberg, Ferraro's agent. She said Ferraro had set aside several months to concentrate on the she will tell the story of her entire life," said Linda Grey, vice president and editorial director for adult fiction and nonfiction at Bantam. Ferraro will collaborate with Linds Bird Francke, a former staff member at Newsweek, who helped with the final version of Rosslynn Carter's memoirs.

Larry Harford was scuba diving near Key Largo, Florida, when he found a wallet on the ocean floor. It was stuffed with \$1,261 in wet cash and an Alaskan driver's license. After a series of telephone calls to Alaska, Harford remined the wallet with its owner, who was not identified. When contacted by phone, he told Harford to send him \$1,000, Harford said. "He was so nice and thankful about it," said Harford, 28, of Orlando. "I'm really glad it turned out as it did. He told me it made his Christmas." Just how the wallet ended up in the drink remained a mystery.

The American box-office idol Burt Reynolds says a recent illness has made him rethink his life; as a makes two and a half movies a year for 11 years, there's something missing in his life." During re-

The agony of defeat: Geraldine ing "a real hard time acting." Reyn-errare has signed a contract with olds said. He said he hoped the temporary leave would help solve that problem as well : Q

Queen Elizabeth II is reportedly planning to stage her own world television scoop after the charten ing Friday of her newest grandson Prince Harry, in Windsor Castle's St. George's Chapel. The christening of the 3-month-old second son of Prince Charles and his wife, Diana, by the Archbishop of Canter-bury, Robert Roncle, was "a private family occasion," closed to press and public, according to Bucking ham Palace. But the gotsup comm book, drawn partly from extensive notes she taped during the campaign. The book will be structured around her campaign, which will serve as a framework within which she will tell the story of her which men to the ceremony and plans to show scenes from the chaptering during her annual Christman broadcast. Victor Chapman, a pal ace spokesman, called the registr "just speculation." The cerement is the first royal christening in the 15th-century chapel since Queen Victoria's grandson Prince Length of Battenburg was haptized in

> Thomas Whiship, the Boston Globe editor who is soon to relife. will become president of the new Center for Foreign Journalists in Reston, Virginia. The counter will offer seminars for Third World journalists. Winship was recently named a fellow at the new Gametr Center for Media Studies at Cohimbia University, where he will do research ou the needs of Thard World journalists. . [

Peter Ueberroth, president of the Los Angeles Olympic Organizing Committee, has been named "Success Story of the Year for 1984" by Success magazine. Ueberroth, who became commissioner of major league baseball Oct. I was cited by the magazine in its January issue result, he plans to take a sabbatical the magazine in its January issue from filmmaking. Reynolds defor "his entrepreneurial vision and scribed his illness as "a virus that tough leadership" which it said nobody could find a name for or a "made the 1984 Olympics a storicure." Of his decision to take a ous—and profitable—triumph."
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